

Seuen Sobs of a Sor-  
rowfull Soule for  
Sinne:

Comprehending  
those seuen Psalmes of the  
*Princelie Prophet DAVID*,  
commonlie called Pœnitenti-  
all; framed into a forme of famili-  
ar praiers, and reduced into meeter  
by WILLIAM HUNNIS, one of  
the Gentlemen of hir Maiesties  
honourable Chappel, and  
maister to the children  
of the same.

*Whereunto are also annexed*  
his Handfull of Honisuckles;  
*the Poore Widowes Mite; a Dia-*  
*log betweene Christ and a sin-*  
*ner; diuers godlie and pishie ditties,*  
with a Christian confession of  
*and to the Trinitie; new-*  
lie printed and  
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*[The following text is mirrored bleed-through from the reverse side of the page:]*

Comprehending  
the whole Science of the  
Fruitful Art of DAVID  
and his Sons  
which were the first  
of the world  
WILLIAM BURNETT  
the Gentleman of the University  
of Cambridge's College and  
Professor of the Church  
of the same.

1871





To the right Honourable and  
vertuous Lady, Francis, Countes  
of Suffex, & one of the Ladies of hir Ma-  
iesties most Honourable priuy chamber, W.

Hunnis wisheth increale of vertue and ho-  
nour, with long life, prosperous health,  
godlie feare, firme faith, and  
assured hope in the  
Almightie.



He prooffe of your Ladishippes  
vertue hath emboldened me to  
see forth this little worke vnder  
your honourable defence. And  
although a fault by me is com-  
mitted, in making you patronesse of so slender a  
peece without your knowledge, yet hoping vpon  
your honourable cōtēse, which rather respec-  
teth the mind of the giuer, than the worthines  
of the gift, & poising the giuers desire to please  
& reale to profite, more then the quality of the  
offence, I doo assure my selfe to be remitted of  
the trespassse, which maketh me thinke  
my travell not onely sweet, but  
also verie richly re-  
compensed.

Your Ladiships to command,  
William Hunnis.



The Author to his  
*Booke.*

**P**asse forth my booke into the hands  
and view of sundry men:  
Humble thy selfe, declare thy name  
who thee thus clad and when:  
And blush not at the frumps of some,  
ne feare at others frowne:  
More rich thou art in thred bare cote,  
then some in silken gowne.  
And giue them all to vnderstand,  
from whence thou first didst spring,  
How thou wast fostred in the brest  
and bosome of a King.  
And so (perhaps) some woorthy wight  
wil shape thee rich arraic:  
And set thee forth as thou deservest  
with costly jewels gaie.  
Behaue thy selfe in such good sort,  
if possible may be,  
That euery one may thee embrace,  
and wish wel vnto me.

*Iohn Yale.*



*The Booke to his  
Readers.*

**G**ood friends with fauor me peruse,  
halfe naked though I bee,  
Or not attierd so gallantlie,  
as you desire to see.

Yet this from me your selues assure;  
such substance here to find,  
As shal bring hope vnto the hart,  
and comfort to the mind.

Oft vnder short and simple weed,  
such vertue may be found,  
As vnder pall of purple hew  
that traileth on the ground.

I being good am not the worse,  
though clothing mine be bad,  
He that bestowde the same on me,  
did giue the best he had.

In whose behalfe I humbly pray,  
and for my selfe also,

You would vouchsafe to mend those faults,  
that in my coate ye kno.

Vale



Play Psalme 150, verse 3. and 6.  
 { Praise him in the sound of the trumpet:  
 praise him vpon the lute and harp. Let e-  
 uerie thing that hath breath praise f Lord }

I  
sorrowfull soule.



Seuen Sobs of a sorrow-  
full Soule for Sinne.

*Psal. 6.*

*Domine ne in furore.*

The first part.

**O** Lord when I my selfe beholde,  
how wicked I haue bin;  
And view the paths & waies I  
wandring frō sin to sin: (went

Againe, to thinke vpon thy power,  
thy iudgement, and thy might;  
And how that nothing can be hid,  
or close kept from thy sight:

A 5.

3. Euen



*Seuen sobs of a*

- 3 Euen then (alas) I shake and quake,  
and tremble where I stand,  
For feare thou shouldst reuenged bee,  
by power of wrathfull hand.
- 4 The weight of sin is very great,  
for this to mind I call, (thine  
That one proud thought made Angels  
from heauen to slide and fall.
- 5 Adam likewise, and Eue his wife,  
for breaking thy precept  
From Paradise expelled were;  
and death thereby hath crept
- 6 Vpon them both, and on their seed,  
for euer to remaine:  
But that by faith in Christ thy Son,  
wee hope to liue againe.
- 7 The earth not able was to beare,  
but quicke did swallow in,  
Corah, Dathan, and Abiron,  
by reason of their sin,
- 8 Also because King Dauid did  
his people number all,  
Thou lord therefore, in three daies space  
such greivous plague letst fall;
- 9 That seuentie thousand men forthwith  
thereof dide presentlie,  
Such was thy worke, such was thy wrath,  
thy mightie power to try.
- 10 (Alas) my sin surmounteth theirs,  
mine cannot numbred be,

And



*Sorrowfull soule.*

And from thy wrath most mightie God,  
I know not where to flee.

11 It into heaven I might ascend,  
where Angels thine remaine,

O Lord thy wrath would thrust me forth  
downe to the earth againe.

12 And in the earth here is no place  
of refuge to be found,

Nor in the deepe and water course,  
that passeth vnder ground.

13 Vouchsafe therefore I thee beseech,  
on me some mercy take,

And turne thy wrath from me awaie,  
for Iesus Christes sake.

14 Lord in thy wrath reprove me not,  
ne chaste me in shine ire,

But with thy mercy shadow me,  
I humbly thee desire.

15 I know it is my greivous sins,  
that do thy wrath prouoke,

But yet O Lord, in rigor thine  
forbeare thy heauy stroke,

16 And rather with thy mercie sweet,  
behold my heauy plight,

How weake and feeble I appeare  
before thy blessed sight.

17 For nature mine corrupted is,  
and wounded with the dart

Of lust and foule concupiscence,  
throughout in euery part.

Verse. 1.

*Domine ne in  
furore tuo ar-  
guas me, ne-  
que in ira tua  
corripas me.*

## Seven sobs of a

18 I am in sin conceiu'd and borne,  
the child of wrath and death,  
Hauing but here a little time  
to liue and draw my breath.

19 I feele my selfe still apt and prone  
to wickednesse and vice,  
And drowned thus in sinne I lie,  
and haue no power to rise.

erfe, 2.  
leferere mei  
mine, quo-  
am infir-  
as fua  
na me de-  
ne quoni-  
a conur-  
ta sunt  
ania ossa  
ca.

20 It is thy mercy O sweet Christ,  
that must my health restore:

For all my bones are troubled much,  
and vexed very sore.

21 I am not able to withstand  
temptations such as be,  
Wherefore good Lord vouchsafe to heale  
my great infirmities.

22 Good Christ as thou to Peter didst,  
reach forth thy hand to me,  
When he vpon the water went,  
there drowned like to be.

23 And as the Leaper clensed was,  
by touching with thy hand:  
And Peters mother raised vp  
from feuer whole to stand:

24 So let that hand of mercy thine,  
make cleane the leprosie  
Of lothsome lust vpon me growne,  
through mine iniquitie.

25 Then shall there strength in me appeare  
through grace my cheefe releefe.

Thy

*sorrowfull soule.*

Thy death, O Christ, the medicine is  
that helpeth al my greefe.

26 My soule is troubled very sore,  
by reason of my sin:

But Lord how long shall I abide  
thus sorrowfull therein?

27 I doubt not Lord, but thou which hast  
my stonie hart made soft,  
With willing mind thy grace to craue,  
from time to time so oft:

38 Wilt not now staie, but forth proceed  
my prefect health to make,  
Although a while thou dost defer,  
yet is it for my sake.

29 For lord, thou knowst our nature such  
if we great thinges obtaine;  
And in the getting of the same  
do feele no greefe or paine:

30 We little doo esteeme thereof,  
but hardly brought to passe,  
A thousand times we do esteeme,  
much more than th'other was.

31 So Lord, if thou shouldst at the first  
graunt my petition,  
The greatnes of offences mine,  
I should not thinke vpon.

32 Wherefore my hope still bids me crie  
with faithfull hart in brest,  
As did the faithfull Cananite,  
whose daughter was possest.

Verse. 3.  
*Et anima  
mea contri-  
bata est val-  
de, sed in do-  
mine usque-  
quo?*

*Seuen sobes of a*

- 33 At least it I still knock and call  
vpon thy holy name,  
At length thou wilt heare my request  
and grant to me the same:  
34 As did the man three loaues of bread  
vnto his neighbour lend,  
Whose knocking long forst him to rise  
and shew himselte a friend.  
35 Lord by the mouth of thy deere son,  
this promise didst thou make:  
That if we knock thou open wilt  
the doore euen for his sake.  
36 Wherefore we crye, we knock, we call,  
and neuer cease will we,  
Til thou do turne to vs, O Lord,  
that we may turne to thee.

The second part.

- erise, 4.  
nuerte do-  
ne, & eripe  
m: m mea:  
uum me  
propter  
sericordā  
m.*
- T**urne from thy wrath, O Lord of hostes,  
and set my heart at large:  
Oh saue me for thy mercies sake,  
and al my sins discharge,  
2 Not for the meritis I haue doon  
ne for the works I wrought,  
But for thy endlesse mercy sake,  
and bloud which hath vs bought.  
3 The debt is great that I am in,  
not able for to pay,  
And how to recompence the same,  
none other can I saie;

4 But

7  
sorrowfull soule.

4 But goodnesse thine must me acquite,  
or else (alas) must I  
To prison, where no ransome may  
set me at libertie.

5 For why in death, O God of life,  
no man remembreth thee,  
And in the hell who gines thee thanks  
was none yet knowne to bee.

6 The greuous plagues and tormentes  
so smarting be and strong, (there  
That no one can haue mind on thee,  
or thee confesse among.

7 No time is there of space, ne place  
repentance for to find;  
But burning paines, & tormentes sharpe  
to all be there assind,

8 Remembring this while I am here,  
and do this life possesse,  
To thee, O Lord, in humble wise,  
I do my faults confesse:

9 And with a spirit all sorrowful  
I do my sinnes lament,  
And sory am euen from my soule,  
I did such waies frequent.

10 And am with groning wearie made,  
through tast of many feares,  
The night, I spend my bed to wash,  
my couch to wet with teares,

11 Not weeping to the sight of men,  
(as doth the hypocrite)

Verse. 5.

*Quoniam  
non est in  
morte qui  
memor sit  
tui, in in-  
ferno autem  
quis confite-  
bitur tibi?*

Verse. 6.

*Laboravi in  
gemitu meo,  
lauabo per si-  
gulas noctes  
lectum meum  
lachrymis me-  
is stratum me-  
um rigabo.*

But



*Seuen fobs of a*

But in thy chamber secretly,  
where I my finnes recite.

12 Not onely with the teares of eyes,  
but teares fet from alow,

That is, from bottome of my heart,  
repentance great to show.

13 And as my bodie I haue made  
a seruant vnto sinne,

So wil I now by power of grace,  
delight no more therein:

14 But will the same on thee bestow,  
O Lord, and freely giue,

To serue thee Lord, in righteousnesse,  
the daies I haue to liue.

15 For in this bed of flesh and bloud,  
and couch of sensuall life,

The soules of all from Adams fall,  
haue laine in wo and strife.

16 And this doth make our countenance  
or mind to changed be,

For inward greefe of this our couch  
of sensualitie.

17 For when we seeke therein to rest,  
and thinke some ease to find;

It after turneth to our grieffe,  
and anguish great of mind.

18 It is a serpent faire in face  
appearing to the sho,

But in his taile a sting lies hid  
of endles paine and wo.



## Sorrowfull soule.

- 19 Mine eie, O Lord, is troubled sore,  
with extreame rage and paine:  
And I among mine enemies  
doe weake and old remaine.
- 20 The wicked feend mine enemy,  
still seeketh to deuise  
Some matter of occasion,  
to laie before mine eies.
- 21 The world also doth draw me forth  
to follow her delight:  
My flesh to sensualitie  
runs on with maine and might.
- 22 The companie of wicked sort  
entise me day by day:  
Thus I with them, and they with me,  
(alas) stil run astraie.
- 23 These enemies I neuer can  
be able to subdue,  
It must be thou, O Iesu sweet,  
most mightie and most true:
- 24 Thou lord which hast destroyed death  
the diuel likewise suppress,  
Must giue me power to ouercome,  
whereby to liue in rest.
- 25 Then vnderneath thy death & crosse  
I shal my finnes displaie,  
And strongly fight against my foes,  
and boldly to them saie,
- 26 Away from me that workers be  
of wickednes and sin:

Verse 7  
Turbatus est  
à furore oculi  
meum: in-  
miseramini inter  
omnes inimicos  
meos.

Verse 8  
Discedite  
à me omnes  
qui operamini  
iniquitatem.

For

## Seuen sobs of a

*peruini in-  
iquitate, quo-  
tiam audiu-  
dominus  
uocem fletus  
mei.*

For why the Lord hath heard my voice,  
and seene my teares therein.

27 You damned spirits, and liuers lewd,  
the members of the seed,  
Away from me: for now your power  
is brought vnto an end.

28 Your prince and master of this world  
that hath me turnd and tost,  
Is now cast out, and al his power,  
his might and strength is lost:

29 Althogh you haue me long time held  
in prison and in thrall;

Yet are ye now cleane overcome,  
by Christ most strong of all.

30 I that in darknesse erst was led,  
do now behold the light;

The Lord my praier sure hath heard,  
my sute is in his sight.

31 To thee, O Lord, for grace I praid,  
and thou heardst my request;

And sentst abundant dewes thereof  
vnto my quiet rest.

32 That I praid likewise, all my sins  
might cleane remitted be,  
And thou hast granted my desire,  
and safe deliuerd me.

33 Wherefore let al mine enemies  
confounded be with shame.

And that right soone and suddenly,  
O Lord I craue the same.

*Verse 9  
Exaudiuit  
dominus de-  
precationem  
meam, domi-  
nus orationem  
meam suscepit.*

*Verse 10  
Erubescant  
& contur-  
bentur ve-*

*sorrowfull soule.*

- 34 I know that all mine enemies  
shal vexed be right sore,  
And that thou wilt put them to flight,  
from henceforth euermore.  
35 For what long time they haue posselt  
they lost in little space,  
Through operation of thy power,  
and working of thy grace. (Christ  
36 With wrong they kept which y<sup>e</sup> sweet  
by bloud hast deerly bought,  
And thou a mighty Champion  
hast turnd their power to nought.  
37 Lord, I therefore thy seruant poore  
most earnestly do pray,  
To guide my feet and steps aright  
in thy most holy way.  
38 And that the feend mine enemy,  
who seekes me to deuoure,  
May neuer ouer my poore soule  
haue any strength or power.  
39 But as by grace I am restord  
to fauor thine againe,  
So with that grace defend me Lord,  
from euerlasting paine, Amen.

*hemenzer om  
nes inimici  
mei: conuer-  
santur & er  
bescant valde  
velociter.*



## Beati quorum. Psal. xxxij.

## The first part.

Sing this as  
before.



God, I know by grace, through  
the sinner is made iust, (saith  
Though we offend, yet iustifie  
by grace through faith we trust :  
2 Which grace & faith are thy good gifts  
which thou hast giuen vs free,  
And thorough them the works we doo  
are made right good to be.  
3 I therefore Lord my faults confesse,  
by helpe of heauenly grace,  
And vtterlie my sinnes forsake,  
and do them al deface.  
4 Beseeching thee me to admit  
with those that blessed bee,  
And to forgieue the trespasses  
which I haue done to thee.  
5 For blessed is the man indeed,  
whose wickednesse and sin,  
Is cleane forgiven and covered,  
as they had neuer bin.  
6 I will not hide my sinnes from thee,  
nor seeke them to excuse,  
But with my heart wil them confesse,  
and do my selfe accuse.  
7 For, Lord, who goes about to hide  
his owne iniquitie;

Beati quo-  
rum remissa  
sunt iniqui-  
tates & quo-  
rum rectora sunt  
peccata.

The

*Sorrowfull soule.*

Thou shalt the same make manifest,  
that al the world may see;

8 Thou wilt him strip and naked make,  
to his perpetuall blame,

When he to iudgement shall arise,  
and liue in endlesse shame.

9 And therefore blessed is the man,  
to whom thou Lord shalt say,

I not impute thy sinnes to thee,  
nor to thy charge them laie,

10 He in whose spirit no fraud is found,  
shal blessed be also,

And looke what thing he takes in hand,  
shal prosper wel and gro.

11 If I for sinne should faine my selfe  
all sorrowful to be,

And were not so, then should be found  
both fraud and guile in me.

12 Or if I should account my selfe  
a man that liueth iust,

Hauiing my conscience stult with sinne,  
so ful as may be thrust :

13 There shuld appear great fraud in me  
for deepe dissembling so,

For why, in me no goodnesse dwels,  
as of my selfe I kno.

14 If euer any good were there,  
it surely must be thine,

But as for sinnes I many haue,  
and they by right are mine.

## Verse 2

*Beatus vir  
cui non impu-  
tauit dominus  
peccatum, nec  
est in spiritu  
cuius dolus.*



## Seuen sobsof a

verse 3

Quoniam ta-  
si, inuetera-  
erunt ossa  
sea claman-  
to tota die.

15 For while, O Lord, I held my peace,  
confessing not my crime,  
My bones did wast through daily plaints,  
I made from time to time.

16 My soule doth feeble waxe and faint,  
because I held my peace;  
But now I haue my sinnes confest,  
I feele her strength increase.

17 I kept that backe I should haue told,  
or else excusd the same;  
And that I should haue closely kept,  
did publish to my blame.

18 I hid the sinnes that I haue done,  
and they remained still,  
And boasted forth the good I did,  
contrary to thy will.

19 Thus were the works y I had wrought  
quite lost with their reward,  
And I among that lost remaine  
whom thou doost not regard.

verse 4

Quoniam die  
y nocte gra-  
uata est super  
me manus tu-  
a, conuersus  
am in crum-  
amea: dum  
onfigitur  
pina,

20 For day and night thy heavy hand,  
upon me thou hast laid.

And in my trouble was I turnd,  
when I was sore afraid.

21 My tribulation courged me,  
my moisture is made drie,  
My very backe bone stricken was,  
that I began to crie.

22 My conscience likewise stricken was,  
with pricke of great remorise,

And



## Sorrowfull soule.

And conscience mine vnquiet was,  
til grace the same did force.

23 And make me knowledge al my faults  
that I had done to thee;

Thus hath thy grace made me confesse,  
all mine iniquitie.

## The second part.

L Ord when against my selfe I spake,  
shewing what I had bin;

Thou Lord, forthwith didst cleane remit  
my wickednesse and sin.

So soone as I determind was,  
no longer them to hide,

Thou Lord straightway forgauest me,  
my faith the same hath tride,

And yer my voice was in my mouth,  
thine eare was in mine heart;

Thus hath thy mercy clenfed me  
throughout in euery part.

Thou art more ready to forgiue,  
than we are to confesse;

So that we do our selues accuse,  
and shew our guiltinesse.

Some blame the diuel as cause of sin,  
some destinie do blame,

Some other saie complexion theirs  
cannot auoid the lame;

But, Lord, I leaue such vaine excuse,  
and with the Prophet saie.

Verse 5

*Delicta mea  
cognatum tibi  
feci, & inin-  
quitiā meā  
non abscondi.*

*Dixi, confite-  
bor aduersum  
me in iustitiā  
meam domi-  
no, & tu re-  
misti impie-  
tatem peccati  
mei.*

It's

## Seuen sobsofa

Its I O Lord that do offend,  
its I, I not denaie;

7 Its I my selfe that wrought this wo,  
through mine iniquitie,

Its I O Lord, and not rhe deuill,  
nor yet my destiny:

8 Yet by thy sufferance, Lord, they may  
onely entise a man;

But to inforce or him compel,  
that do they neuer can.

9 Wherefore good Lord, my sickly soule  
to health againe restore.

*For this ought all thy holy ones  
to praie in time sherefore.*

10 This is the time in which thou wilt,  
giue care when we do call;

For after this no time there is  
thou wilt vs heare at all.

11 This is the time Lord thee to seeke,  
while that thou maist be found,

This is the time thou wilt vs heare,  
and keepe vs safe and sound

12 From rage of many water flouds,  
that with temptations flo;

And from the proud and wicked sort,  
with many troubles mo.

13 These shal no time approach to vs,  
to do vs any harme;

For why thy grace shall beat them back  
by strength of mighty arme.

14 Although

Verse, 9.

*Pro hac ora-  
bit ad te om-  
nis sanctus in  
tempore opor-  
tuno.*

*Veruntamen  
indignatio a-  
quarum mul-  
tarsi ad cum  
non approxi-  
mabunt.*

*sorrowfull soule.*

14 Although amid this water flood  
 of surging waues of sin,  
 We tossed be among the rocks,  
 yet are not drown'd therein.

15 For thou, O Lord, art my refuge  
 from troubles all that be,  
 And though temptations of the world  
 about haue compass't me;

16 I not regard inticements theirs,  
 nor threats that they shall make.  
 For why my faith assureth me  
 that thou my part wilt take.

17 Thou Lord art only my defence,  
 my ioy is all in thee,  
 Thou shalt me compasse round about,  
 and safe deliuer me.

18 The tabernacle of my soule  
 is round about me set.

With enemies, such as do seeke  
 mine hinderance and let:

19 But yet, O Lord thy prouidence  
 shall me deliuer still,  
 And from all dangers me defend,  
 after thy holy will.

20 Thou wilt informe and shew to me  
 the way that I shal go:

This life is but a pilgrimage  
 I passe in to and fro.

Of this way Lord, thou art the end  
 and marke whereat I shoot,

B I,

Grant

Verse 7.

*Tu es refugium  
 meum in tribulatione  
 quæ circumdedit me.*

Exaltatio

*mea, et me  
 circumdantibus me.*

Verse 8

*Intellectum  
 tibi dabo, &  
 instrum te  
 in via hac  
 qua gradieris.*

*Seuen jobs of a*

Grant that I may this voyage passe,  
and foes of mine confute;

22 And in the running of my course,  
my faith so strong may be,  
That I may haue one of those games  
of immortalitie.

23 Thus shall shine eie of strong defence  
on me be fixed sure,

And I with joy shall able bee  
this trauel to indure. (face)

24 For Lord it thou shouldst turne thy  
or cast thine eie aside

I should not able be to run,  
nor labor this abide.

25 But should be as the horse and mule  
that understanding want:

Such of thy grace, faith, and good works  
both barren be and scant

26 They are too proud and scornful eke  
thy lawes to holde and keepe,

The lusts and pleasures of the flesh  
so lulleth them asleepe,

27 But yet the mouthes of such wild beastes  
thou Lord with bit and brake

Shalt snaffle them with chaine and curb  
that do thee so forsake.

28 For great and many are the plagues  
of those that sinners be,

By meanes whereof a number, Lord,  
are turned vnto thee.

*Firmabo su-  
per te oculos  
meos.*

Verse 9.

*Noli te fieri  
sicut equus &  
mulus, quibus  
non est intel-  
lectus, incha-  
mo & freno  
maxillas eo-  
rum constri-  
ges, qui non  
approxima-  
bunt ad te.*

Verse 10.

*Multa fla-  
gella pecca-  
toris.*

*sorrowfull soule.*

29 And thou, O Lord, y<sup>e</sup> didst the plague  
for their corruption,  
Wilt also giue them comfort great,  
and consolation.

30 And he that trusteth in the Lord,  
he shall be compast in

With mercy and remission  
for al his former sinne.

31 Be glad therefore ye righteous,  
and in the Lorde reioice:

For he by grace hath made you iust,  
through his most louing choise:

32 which were before stifnecked, proud;  
now gentle, meeke and milde,

Not by our merits, but by grace,  
as father to his child.

33 All ye that be upright of heart,  
in God reioice also,

And to his will submit your will,  
in anguish, paine, and wo.

34 And as S. Paul th' Apostle was  
made great in his distresse,

So Lord in all extremity  
grant me the like successe, Amen,

*Sperant<sup>9</sup> au-  
tem in domi-  
no misericor-  
dia circūda-  
bit.*

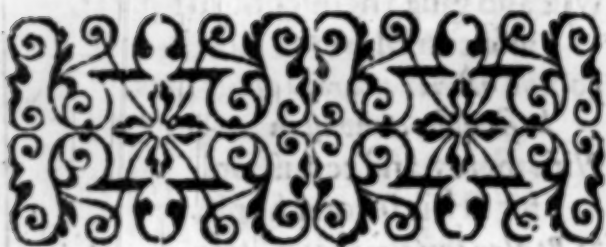
*Verse 11*

*Letamini in  
domino, &  
exultate in-  
fi.*

*Et gloriabū-  
ti omnes  
in corde,*







*Psal. 38.*

*Domine ne in furore.*

The first part.

**V**Vthin my soule, O Lord,  
do many troubles spring,  
Sometimes by feare of punishment,  
that temporal things may bring:

1 Which happen may to me,  
while I this life abide,  
For mine offences done to thee,  
which cannot passe vnspide:

3 Sometime, O Lord, by feare  
of sicknesse and diseafe,

Whic



*Sorrowfull soule.*

Which here we suffer for his guilt,  
that first did thee displease.

4 Sometime againe by feare  
of death that follow must,  
Which in a time vnlooked for  
shal all consume to dust :

5 And last by feare O Lord,  
of euerlasting paine,  
Which I by sin haue well deserud,  
therein for to remaine.

6 But yet, O blessed Lord,  
*when thou shalt angry be,*  
In fury shine correct me not,  
*nor poure thy wrath on me.*

7 And though thy bow be bent,  
with arrow set therein,  
And ready thou my soule to wound,  
for my committed sin:

8 Yet let thy mercy moue  
with ruth on me I craue;  
Because thou knowest I cannot giue  
the thing that I not haue.

9 For thou must first me giue,  
yer I can giue to thee,  
For of my selfe and from my selfe,  
comes but iniquitie.

10 Thine arrowes I confesse,  
so deepe haue pearced my heart,

b 3.

That

## Verse 1

*Domine ne  
in furore tuo  
arguas me,  
neque in ira  
tua corripas  
me.*

## Verse 2

*Quoniam sa-  
gitta tua in-  
fixa sunt in  
hi,*

## Seven sobes of a

That medicine none, ne other craft,  
can seuer them apart.

11 For if by craft I might  
these wounds make whole againe,  
And so escape eternall death,  
and euerlasting paine;

12 My feare should be the lesse,  
my ioy a great deale more:  
But thou, O Lord, the leach must bee,  
for sicknes mine and sore.

13 Thine hands thou hast inforst  
so heauy upon me,  
As death with dart I know right well,  
cannot auoided be.

14 O death vnto the man  
that substance hath at will,  
How sharpe and bitter is thy darr,  
when thou comst him to kill?

15 Lord in my flesh I seele,  
no health there is at all:  
For when I thinke most sure to stand,  
I readiest am to fall.

16 But blessed are those men,  
which neuer did offend  
In sinful lusts, but haue themselues  
kept clean vnto the end.

17 For in their soules they find  
great quietnes and rest,  
And euery thing they take in hand,  
doth turne vnto the best.

*Es consum-  
nasti super  
me manum  
tuam.*

Verse 3  
*Non est sani-  
tas in carne  
mea:*

18 But contrary to those,  
that spend the day and night  
In exercise of wickednesse,  
and take therein delight.

19 For they in conscience feelee  
such busines, broile and strife,  
That for to thinke vpon their sin,  
a hel is to their life.

20 O Lord among those sort,  
my selfe haue gone astray,  
*And from the face of anger thine,*  
could neuer flee away.

21 Yet thou hast suffered mee,  
and giuen me grace at last,  
For to acknowledge all my faults,  
and wicked life now past.

22 *My bones were void of rest.*  
*by reason of my sinne:*

And all my body greued was,  
without eke and within.

23 Sin may well be compard  
vnto a serpent vile,  
Which with his body, head, and taile,  
doth many one begile.

24 For where the serpents head,  
to enter doth begin,  
There all the body with the taile,  
apace comes sliding in.

25 The motion first to sin,  
vnto the head applie,

*A facie ira  
tua.*

*Non est pax  
ossibus meis  
facie peccato-  
rum meorum.*

## Seuen sobs of a

verse 4.

Quoniam in-  
puitates  
meae super-  
gressae sunt  
super me:  
et sicut onus  
grauis sunt  
super me.

And when the heart consents thereto,  
then is the body nie,

26 The fact once being done,  
then is the serpents taile

With head and body entred in,  
where he must needs preuaile.

27 For why this serpent sinne  
so high himselfe doth reare,

Above mine head, the waights of whome  
is more then I can beare.

28 And this by sufferance came,  
by licence that I gaue,

This serpents head into my soule  
his entrance first to haue :

29 For now hath he brought in  
his body, taile, and all;

And therewith doth surcharge my soule  
that she is like to fall,

30 The burthen is so great,  
that many times (alas)

She is compeld to do the thing  
she would not bring to passe.

31 Too hard it is for me  
this serpent to expell,

It must be thou O mighty King,  
the strength of Iſraell.

32 Thou that the diuels drauest soorth  
out of the men posselt,

Vouchsafe this serpent to expell,  
and set my soule at rest.

33 Thy

## sorrowful soule.

33 Thy grace must worke in me  
to be contrite in heart,  
And this from thee, to me must come,  
withouten my delart.

34 My bones corrupted are,  
and putrified so sore,  
By reason of my follies past,  
that wo is me therefore.

35 The marks of mine old sins  
doo rotten waxe agayne,  
And fresh and greene they do appeare,  
to further more my paine.

36 By reason of my sinne,  
I am a wretch become,  
Setting my minde on earthly things,  
like beast both brute and dum.

37 And crooked am I made,  
vnto the verie ende,

The day throughout continuallie  
with wo and greefe I spend.

38 Because I am throwne downe,  
and not compeld thereto,  
No violence did me inforce  
thus wickedlie to do.

39 It was my will, which led  
intelligence awry,  
And that which reason willed me,  
the same did I denie.

40 Will is the middle part,  
Lord of my soule I know:

Verse: 5.

*Patrueris  
& corrupti  
sunt cicatr  
ces mee à  
cie insipient  
a mea.*

*Miser fact  
sum.*

Verse: 6.

*Et curuatu  
sum usque  
sinum, tota  
contristatus  
ingrediebar.*



## Seuen Iobs of a

And I my will for to exalt  
did reason ouerthrow.

Verse. 7

Quoniam  
lumbi mei  
propleti sunt  
illusionibus.

41 Whereby my loines are full,  
that is, my flesh to saie,  
Repleat is with illusions,  
that me deceiue alway.

42 Ah wicked flesh of mine,  
that doth my soule entise,  
Thou hurst thy selte, offendst my God,  
by thy lewd exercise.

Non est sa-  
lutas in carne  
mea.

43 And by this lust of mine,  
no health is in my flesh,  
For sin my soule and bod.e greecues  
still daie by day afresh.

44 My soule tormented is,  
by sight of mind vncleane,  
My body weake and feeble brought,  
through lust made bare and leane:

Verse. 8.  
Afflictus  
sum, & hu-  
iliatus sum  
nimis, Rugie-  
ram a gemitu  
cordis mei.

45 Thus I afflicted sore,  
and wearie low am brought,  
And am a bondman vnto sin,  
in word, in deed, and thought.

Verse. 9.  
Domine co-  
lam te est  
in me deside-  
rium meum  
& gemitus  
meus à te non  
est abscondi-  
tus.

46 This sin so settled is,  
that it will not depart,  
Which causeth me To roare and crie  
with sorrow from my heart,

47 O Lord the great desire,  
that doth proceed from me,  
And mourning much that I do make,  
not hidden is from thee.

*sorrowfull soule.*

48 Thy sight is of great strength,  
for end thereof is none,  
And be the distance nere so far,  
thy power and strength is one.

49 Thy sight, O God, attains  
to distant all that be,  
And makes no change of more or lesse,  
as is with vs wee see.

50 My heart is troubled sore,  
my strength is gone me fro;  
Likewise the sight of both mine eies,  
from me is gone also.

51 The tribulations great,  
wherewith my sinfull hart  
Is vext, and troubled night and day,  
about in euerie part:

52 Is, Lord, for feare of thee,  
and of thy punishment,  
Which thou shalt render vnto me,  
for this my life mispent.

53 O Lord, remooue from mee,  
this cloudie mist of mine,  
And with thy grace and mercy mixt,  
annoint my dusked eie:

54 That I thy waie maie see,  
wherein thou hast delight,  
And in the same my steps direct,  
to walke both day and night, Amen.

Verse 10  
Cor meum  
conturbatum  
est, dereliquit  
me virtus  
mea & lum  
ocularum  
meorum, &  
ipsum non es  
in meum.

The

## The second part.

**M**Y wretchednes, O Lord,  
is more then may be said,  
It's not alone the greefe of heart,  
that maketh me dismaid;

2 Ne feeblenes of strength,  
deprest with vices all,

Nor in the blindnes of my soule,  
which readie is to fall,

3 But otherwise it comes,  
and still increaseth more,

That is, where I thought comfort finde,  
is turned to my sore.

4 My friends and neighbours Lord,  
in whom I put my trust,

Against me altogether stood,  
and shewd themselues vniust,

5 And they that stood me next,  
far off get them awaie,

And such as waited for my life,  
set on me as a praie.

6 The force of wicked seends,  
O Lord, is verie strong:

No earthly power is like to theirs,  
if thou them suffer long

7 To exercise their force  
on finners all that bee,

Not one among ten thousande shall  
be left aliue to thee.

8 They

Verse. 11

Amici mei,  
& proximi  
mei aduersari  
me appropin-  
quabant &  
eternant.

Verse. 12.

qui iuxta  
me erant de  
ingè stete-  
ant, & vim  
mei ibant, qui  
erebant a  
mā meam.

*sorrowfull soule.*

8 They studie to deceiue,  
by worldly pleasures vaine,  
And ioyes such as the flesh desires,  
to bring vs endles paine.

9 These Lord haue sought for me,  
and wrought me ill the whi'e,  
And with deceitfull vanities,  
did dayly me beguile.

10 Lord manie times I feele,  
when I thus tempted am,  
Such pleasures spring, I ioy thereat,  
not looking whence they came:

11 Or at the least, O Lord,  
I would not vnderstand,  
Ne see the snares for mee were laid,  
to bring me vnderhand.

12 The pleasures of the flesh  
so sweet soundes in mine care,  
That what is spoken there against,  
I list not for to heare.

13 But as one being deafe,  
with silence passe awaie,  
And as a man that dumbe is borne,  
haue not a word to saie.

14 Indeed I must confesse  
my selfe I haue not sought,  
Nor spake against my wickednesse  
in such sort as I ought.

15 But as one deafe and dumbe,  
that sin no time would blame,

*Et qui inqu-  
rebant mala  
mihi locuti  
sunt vanita-  
tes, & dolo-  
toto die mea  
tabantur.*

Verse. 13.

*Et ego tan-  
quam surdus  
non audiebam  
& sicut mu-  
tus non aper-  
ens os suum*

Verse. 14.

*Et factus su-  
sicut homo  
non audien-  
& non hab-  
ens ore suo re-  
argutione*

Ne

## Seven jobs of a

Ne open would mine eares to heare,  
how to auoid the same.

16 Yet true it is, O Lord,  
let man his faults confesse,  
With sighs and sorrow from his heart,  
he did thy lawes transgresse.

17 Yea let him do his best,  
and satisfaction make,  
And yet if he be void of hope,  
thou wilt him sure forsake.

18 For Iudas sorrow made,  
when he had thee betraid;  
And did restore the siluer backe,  
and downe againe it laid.

19 He openlie confest,  
he sinned greuouslie,  
In that he had falsly betraid  
the innocent to die.

20 And wanting hope we see,  
into despaire he fell,  
And hangd himselte vpon a tree,  
among the rauens to dwell.

21 Hope is the gift, O Lord,  
that from thy grace proceeds, (loue  
And grace brings faith, and faith brings  
from which springs fruitfull deeds.

22 And for because that I  
did alwaies hope in thee,  
Thou wilt me heare O Lord my God,  
and safe deliuer me.



## Sorrowful soule.

- 23 My hope is firmelie fixt,  
and cannot be remooud;  
Becaule thy grace assureth me,  
my faith is not reprooud.
- 24 Thus haue I said, O Lord,  
least anie time at all,  
Mine enemies should ouer me  
triumph to see me fall.
- 25 For whiles my feet did slide,  
against me much they spake,  
That is to lay, whiles my desires,  
the way to sin did take,
- 26 And were from thee remooude  
to follow lothsome lust;  
Then did mine enimies reioice,  
to see me in the dust.
- 27 But Lord, I me submit,  
vnto thy discipline,  
And meekelie take correction thine,  
for old offences mine.
- 28 And haue my selfe prepard  
vnto the whip of paine,  
Whereby my grieve and dolor maie  
still in my sight remaine.
- 29 And Lord thou knowest of olde,  
there is no good in me;  
Not one man good vpon the earth,  
not one seeke after thee.
- 30 Among thy chosen sort,  
vnfaithfulnes was found,

## Verse. 16.

Quia dixi  
quando super  
gaudeant mi  
hi inimici me  
& dum com  
mouentur pe  
des mei, super  
me magna  
loquuntur sum

## Verse. 17.

Quoniam  
in flagella  
paratus sum  
& dolor me  
in conspectu  
meo semper

Like.

## Seuen jobs of a

Likewise among thy Angels bright  
were thousands cast to ground:

31 Then how much more (alas)  
of wretches such as I,

That dwell in houses made of claie,  
mull sin continuallie?

Verse. 18.

*Quoniam  
inquit atem  
neam ar  
tuncabo, &  
rogitabo pro  
peccato meo.*

32 I will confesse to thee

all mine ungodlinesse,

And for my sinnes will take more thought  
than anie can expresse:

33 And yet O Lord thy grace  
must worke this good in me,

By which I stedfastly belecue  
I chosen am of thee.

34 For now by grace I mind

my sinfull life t'amend,

And vnto vertue will applie  
my selfe vnto the ende.

35 I see the follies past,

wherein I tooke delight,

To be both vile, wicked, and nought,  
and odious in thy sight.

Verse. 19

*inimici autē  
mei uiuunt,  
& confirmati  
sunt super me  
& multiplicati  
sunt, qui o-  
perunt me  
iniquē.*

36 And though my foes doo liue,  
and ouer me made strong,

And they which hated me are great  
and do me treble wrong:

37 No maruell it's, O Lorde,

for why they mightie bee,

And are except thy grace assist  
too strong alwaie for mee.

38 They

38 They haue long time deuised  
deceitful crafty gins,  
And by the same haue ouerthrowne  
the strongest in their sins.

39 If any time I flee  
repentance for to find,  
Then one of these malicious spirits  
assaileth straight my mind;

40 And with deuises new,  
and fraudes that be vknowne  
He craftily doth me subdue,  
and lo makes me his owne.

41 Thus Lord when I am bent,  
thy goodnesse to pursue,  
mine enemies do me detract,  
and breed my bale anew.

42 The wicked feend (alas)  
doth many times me greeue;  
The world also doth follow me  
the daies I haue to liue.

43 The flesh doth me prouoke  
with lust both leud and nought:  
Thus by these three mine enemies  
I am in thraldom brought.

44 Yes Lord, forsake me not,  
ne let thy grace depart;  
least that mine enemies vnwares  
do thorough pearce mine heart.

45 And though sometime, O Lord,  
thy presence thou withdraw,

whereby

Verse 20  
*Qui retribu-  
unt mala pro  
bonis, detrahe-  
bant mihi,  
quoniam se-  
quebar boni-  
tatem.*

Verse 20.  
*Ne derelin-  
quas me  
Domine, Deus  
meus ne dis-  
cesseris à me*

Whereby the feend may entrance make  
and bring me more in aw.

46 Yet Lord, thy grace restore  
to me poore wretch againe,  
That I thereby may him resist,  
to make his trauell vaine,

Verse. 20

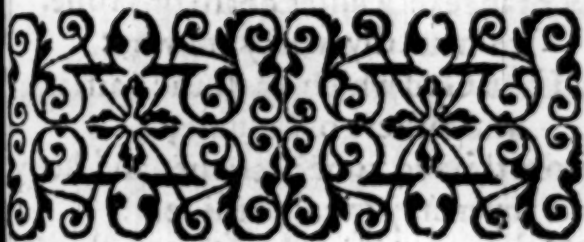
*Intende in  
adiutorium  
meum domi-  
ne deus saluti  
meae.*

47 Giue heed therefore my God,  
which art my helpe and health,  
Whose mercy and whose goodnes shewd  
is to my soule cheefe wealth.

48 Giue temporall health, O Lord,  
as vnto thee seemes best,  
And to my soule thy sauing health,  
in heauen with thee may rest. Amen



*Miserere*



*Psal. 51.*

*Miserere mei.*

*The first part.*

*(nought,*  
**O** Thou that mad'st the world of  
whom God thy creatures cal,  
Which formedst man like to thy selfe,  
yet suffredst him to fall.

**Thou** God, which by thy heauēly word  
didst flesh of virgine take,  
And so becamst both God and man,  
for sinfull fleshes sake :



- 3 O thou that sawest when man by sin  
to hel was ouerthrowne,  
Didst meekely suffer death on crosse.  
to haue thy mercy knowne:
- 4 Thou God which didst the patriarkes  
and fathers old diuine,  
From time to time preserue and keepe  
by mercy great of thine.
- 5 O thou that Noah keptst from floud,  
and Abraham day by day,  
As he along through Aegypt past,  
didst guide him in the way:
- 6 Thou God that Lot from Sodoms  
didst safely keepe also, (plague  
And Daniel from the Lyons iawes,  
thy mercy great to tho,
- 7 O thou good God that didst diuide  
the sea like hills to stand,  
That children thine might thorow pas,  
from cruel Pharos hand,
- 8 So that when Pharo and his host,  
thy children did pursue,  
Thou ouerthrewst them in the sea,  
to proue thy saying true:
- 9 O thou that Ionas in the fish,  
three daies didst keepe from paine,  
Which was a figure of thy death,  
and rising vp againe.
- 10 I say, thou God, which didst preserue  
amidst the fierie flame,

*Sorrowfull soule.*

The three yong men, which sang therein  
the glory of thy name :

11 *Thou God haue mercy on my soule,  
thy goodnesse me restore :*

*And for thy mercies infinit,  
thinke on my sinne no more.*

12 O Lord the number of my sins  
is more then can be told,  
Wherefore I humbly do desire  
thy mercies manifold.

13 For small offence thy mercy smal,  
may soone small faults suffice,

But I, alas, for many faults  
for greater mercy cries:

14 And though the number of my sinnes  
surpasse the salt sea sand,

And that the filth of them deserue  
the wrath of thy iust hand:

15 Yet do thy mercies far surmount  
the sinnes of all in all,

Thou wilt with mercy vs releue.  
for mercy when we call.

16 Right wel I know, man hath no power  
so much for to transgresse,

As thou with mercy maist forgiue  
through thine almightinesse,

17 I do confesse my faults be more  
than thousand else beside,

More noisome and more odious,  
more fouler to be tride,

18 Than

## Verse 1

*Miserere mei  
Deus secun-  
dum miseri-  
cordiam tuā  
& secundum  
multitudinē  
miserationum  
tuarum dele  
iniquitatem  
meam.*

18 Than euer was the lothsome swine,  
or menstual cloth beraid:

To thinke thereon my woful soule,  
(alas) is yet afraid,

19 Wherefore good Lord, do not behold  
how wicked I haue bin,

*But wash me from my wickednesse,  
and cleanse me from my sin.*

20 The Israclites being defil'd  
durst not approach thee nie,  
Till they their garments & themselves  
had washed decently,

21 The priests eke clensed also were,  
yer they thy face would see,  
Else had they perisht in their sin;  
such, Lord, was thy decree.

22 (Alas) how much more need I then  
to craue while I am here,  
To wath my soule and spotted soule  
that it may cleane appeare?

23 Pollured clothes with filth distaind  
doo many washings craue,  
Yer that the launder can obtaine  
the thing that he would haue.

24 My soule likewise (alas) doth need  
thy many dewes of grace,  
Yer it be cleane, for cankred sin  
so deepe hath taken place.

25 The leprosie that Naman had,  
could not be done away,

Verse 6

*Amplius la-  
ua me ab im-  
quitate mea,  
& à peccato  
meo munda  
me.*

*sorrowfull soule.*

Til he seuen times in Iordan floud  
had washt him day by day.

26 How many waters need I then  
for to be washed in,

Yer I be purged faire and cleane,  
and censed from my sin?

27 But Lord, thy mercy is the sope  
and washing lee also, (filth

That shall both scoure and cense the  
which in my soule doth gro.

28 Why should I then (alas) despaire  
of goodnesse thine to me,

When that thy iustice willett me  
to put my trust in thee? (past

29 Thy promise Lord thy mouth hath  
which cannot be but true,

That thou wilt mercy haue on them,  
that turne to thee anew. (passe

30 I know when heauen and earth shall  
this promise shal stand fast:

Wherefore vnto thy maiestie,  
I offer now at last

31 An heart contrite and sorrowful,  
with all humility

For hainous sin by it concein'd  
through mine iniquitie;

32 I do acknowledge all my faults,  
my sinnes stand me before;

I haue them in remembrance, Lord,  
and wil for euermore.

Verse 3.

*Quoniam iniquitatem meam ego cognosco & peccatum meum contra me est semper.*

33 Because

## Seuen sobsofa

33 Bicause thou shouldst the same forget  
I still do thinke thereon,  
And set it vp before my face,  
alwaies to looke vpon.

Verse 4  
Tibi soli pec-  
cavi, & ma-  
lum coram  
te feci.

34 Against thee only haue I sinned  
and done ill in thy sight;  
In whom it lies to punish me,  
or to torgiue me quight.

35 But sure my hope is firmly fixt,  
that thou wilt me forgiue,  
For with thine honor shall it stand,  
to suffer me to liue:

Ve iustificeris  
in sermonibus  
tuis, & vin-  
cas cum in-  
dicaris.

36 That all the world may witnesse thee  
a iudge most iust to be,

For that thou wilt thy promise keepe,  
to all that trust in thee;

37 That is, our sinnes thou wilt remit,  
and cleane forget them all,  
And bend thine eares vnto our plaints  
when we vpon thee call.

## The second part.

**O** Lord consider with thy selfe,  
what mettall I possesse,  
Behold in sinne I was conceinde,  
and borne in wickednesse.

Verse 5  
Ecce enim in  
iniquitatibus  
conceptus sum,  
& in peccatum  
concepit me  
mater mea.

2 From Adam first this sinne was drawne  
whereby I am made prone  
To do the ill should thee offend,  
and let the good alone.



*Sorrowfull soule.*

- 3 Yea, many a time I am so drawne  
 to do I would not do,  
 And that I would I leaue vndone,  
 for want of might thereto.  
 4 Such is, O Lord, the strength & force  
 of my concupiscence:  
 But yet of greater force than this,  
 is, Lord, thine indulgence.  
 5 For thou wilt mercy shewe to them,  
 that mercy do require,  
 And wilt not turne thy face from such  
 as mercy do desire,  
 6 Surely of honour more is thine,  
 through pity men to saue,  
 Than by thy iustice to condemne  
 such as deserued haue.  
 7 Therefore, O Lorde, receiue me now,  
 which do my selfe accuse;  
 To th'end thou shouldst my sins forgiue,  
 and all my faults excuse.  
 8 O Lord, I do not hide my sins,  
 but shewe them vnto thee;  
 Bicause thou shouldst thy mercy grane,  
 as thou hast promised me.  
 9 For neuer yet thou hast beene founde  
 in any word vniust,  
 10 Ne canst thou now begin at me,  
 since that in thee I trust.  
 11 Thou Lord hast euer loued truth,  
 and truth thou art most sure,  
 12 Thou

Verse. 6.  
 Et enim veri-  
 tatem dix-  
 isti.

Thou art the very veritie  
for euer to indure.

11 Thou promisedst to Abraham,  
his seed to multiplie,  
Euen as the stars, and as the sand  
that in the sea doth lie.

12 To Ishac and to Iacob eke,  
like promise didst thou make,  
And thou the same performed hast,  
for this thy promise sake.

13 Thou promisedst to Iosue,  
to strength him with thyne hande,  
And so he slue the Cananites,  
and did deuide their land.

14 To Gedeon thou promise mad'st,  
that he should set at large  
The Isrelites, which were in thral,  
and in their enemies charge.

15 When Ezechias lay sore sicke,  
and wel nie at deaths dore,  
Thou promisedst him his health agayne,  
to liue fiftene yeeres more.

16 Thus hast thou kept thy promises  
to thousands else beside,  
Who haue reposed trust in thee,  
thou hast not helpe denide.

17 Euen so good lord thy promise keepe  
with me that am vniust,  
A scabbed sheepe, one of thy flock,  
and ouerchargd with lust.

18 Which

19 Which of long time haue run a fraie  
 the time since I was borne,  
 Yet now returnd with heauy heart,  
 that's with repentance torne.  
 19 Thus hath thy grace now called me,  
 with mercy of thine hand,  
 And what thy wil and pleasure is,  
 by grace I vnderstand.  
 20 Thou hast revealed vnto me  
 the things that be unknowne,  
 The secret points of wisdom shine  
 thy grace to me hath showne.  
 21 Thy mysteries that hidden were  
 within thy sacred word,  
 Thou hast to vs made manifest,  
 by Iesus Christ our Lorde.  
 22 I am now fed with bread of life,  
 that shall my hunger slake,  
 And from dame wisdoms watty springs  
 my drinke I often take.  
 23 Now wisdom hath cast out her flood  
 the plants al watered be,  
 and still she leekes to lighten those,  
 that put their trust in thee.  
 24 Of this her flood S. Paul did drinke,  
 and he was taught thereby,  
 by wisdom, Lord, which secret was,  
 and hidden long did lie.  
 25 As thou to him didst manifest  
 by thy free spirit before,

*Incerta &  
 occulta facti-  
 entia tua ma-  
 nifestasti mihi*

## Seuen Jobs of a

Which searcheth out the very depth  
of secrets thine and store,

26 Of this Lord part I tasted haue,  
through mercy shewd to me,

And am now taught by them to knowe,  
mine owne infirmitie,

27 And by it am I taught likewise  
thy goodnes for to kno,

Beseeeching thee this worke begun,  
may neuer part me fro

28 So that the light which kindled is  
in me by thy great grace,

May so increase, as darknes, Lord,  
may neuer more take place.

## The third part.

Terse. 7.

Asperges me

domine hyssop

no, & munda-

tor: Lauabis

me, & supra

aurum deab-

hator.

Wish Hyssop, Lord, be sprinkle me,  
and cleanse me from my sin,

More whiter then shall I be made,  
than euer snow hath bin.

2 Thou didst command this herbe with  
a sprinkle for to be, (bloo

To sprinkle such as cleansed were  
from lothsome leprosie.

3 A bundle of this herbe, O Lord,  
thou didst command also

To dip in blood of simple sheepe,  
and therewithall to sho

4 Vpon the doore posts of the house,  
the slaier might it see,

Where

Wherby the plague might shun the place  
 and from thy peôple flee,  
 5 These vnto vs do represent  
 the bloud of thy deere son,  
 without the which no man is cleane,  
 what euer can be done,  
 6 And he that marks his soule therewith  
 and puts his trust therein,  
 The slaier hath no power to hurt,  
 nor plague him for his sin.  
 7 If with this grace thou sprinkle me,  
 I shall be white I know,  
 And though as bloud my sins appeare,  
 they shall be like the snow.  
 8 Yea though my sins as purple were,  
 or as the scarlet die,  
 Thy grace shall make them as the wooll  
 t'appeare before thine eie.  
 9 Then shall I heare the words of ioy,  
 of gladnesse so likewise,  
 That Nathan to King Dauid spake,  
 whom thou didst not despise,  
 10 That is, My sins are now put out,  
 what euer I haue done,  
 And are forgiven me quight and cleane  
 by Iesu Christ thy son, (spake  
 11 Then shall I heare the wordes Christ  
 to him the palfie had,  
 My sonne thy finnes are thee forgiven,  
 arise, go home, be glad.

Verse. 8.  
*Audimus m  
 dabit gaudi  
 & letitiam*



12 Then shal I heare thee also speake  
by inspiration,  
Whereby I shal be comforted  
in tribulation.

*et exultabit  
In qua  
infrigidis.* 13 Yea Lord, the bones thou broken hast  
shall then againe reioice,  
Through working of thy heavenly grace  
and sweetnes of thy voice.

14 That is, the powers of my poore soule  
whom sinne so weake hath brought,  
Whereby it wanted power to worke  
the good it long time sought,

15 Shall then recouer that was lost,  
and be reuiu'd againe,  
And through the quickning of thy spirit  
sin shall no more remaine.

*erle. 19.  
Inerte facie  
am à pecca-  
meu, & om-  
s, inquina-  
s meus dele.* 16 Wherefore, thy face turne from my sins,  
and wipe my fautes awaie,  
And eke all mine iniquitie;  
most humbly I thee pray.

17 I meane the face of iustice thine,  
wherewith thou dost behold  
The sins we dailie do commit,  
to punish manifold.

18 This face, good Lord, turne y from me  
and from the faults I make,  
And them forget, and me forgiue,  
for thy great mercy sake.

19 But Lorde, the face of mercie thine,  
from me turne not away,

*sorrowfull soule.*

But therewithall behold me still,  
and helpe me day by day.

20 For what am I if that thy grace  
thou take away from me?

A bondman vnder sin and death,  
and cast away of thee:

21 And euery man thy grace that wants,  
shal haue a hart of stone,

As Pharo had after thy grace  
departed was and gone.

22 Hee shall both see and heare indeed,  
yet shal be deafe and blind,

His eares and eies shall stopped bee,  
the truth he shall not find.

23 His heart likewise shal frozen be,  
or as the stonie wall,

He shall thy creatures like and loue,  
and loue not thee at all.

24 Yea, such a heart, O Lorde, in mee  
long time hath taken place,

Which no way can be mollified  
but by thy special grace.

25 Wherefore I pray thee hartily,  
remoue this hart from me,

And, Lord, in me a new heart make,  
that flexible male bee:

26 A fleshie heart, both soft and meeke,  
an heart that I may know

Thou art the Lord, without whose grace  
no goodnes I can show.

Verse, 10.

Cor mundus

creatus me

dum.

## Seven jobs of a

Et spiritum  
rectum.memoria in vi  
seribus meis.

Verse. 11.

Ne proicias  
me a facie tu-  
a & spiritum  
rectum tuum  
ne auferas a  
me.

- 27 This grace it is that must reuiue,  
*aright spirit, Lord, in me,*  
 My spirit through sin is crooked made,  
 and lothsome for to see.
- 28 *Make it upright therefore to be,*  
 and that decline it may  
 From worldly pleasures light and vaine,  
 that vanish soone away.
- 29 Vouchsafe, O lord, to heueauly things  
 my spirit may aspire,  
 And with thy grace replenisht be,  
 most humblie I desire.
- 30 Let neither yet aduersitie,  
 nor worldly wealth also  
 Plucke downe my spirit, nor hinder it,  
 where it desires to go.
- 31 *Ne cast me off at any time,*  
*from presence of thy face;*  
*Ne take from me thy holie spirit,*  
*O Lorde, in anie case.*
- 32 My sins good Lord, behind thee cast  
 there euer to remaine:  
 But cast not me from thy sweet face,  
 as thou didst wicked Caine.
- 33 Nor from thy fauor cast me so,  
 as thou didst cast King Sall,  
 For if that I thy presence loose,  
 I cannot choose but fall.
- 34 O Lord, how sweet and gracious  
 is this thy spirit most pure;

6 Be

It leadeth those that loueth thee,  
 where righteous folke endure.  
 35 Grant, Lord, that this thy holy spirit,  
 may dwel within me still,  
 And mee confirme in righteousness,  
 according to thy will.

### The fourth part.

**O** Lorde my God restore to me  
 thy sauing health againe,  
 And stablish me with thy chiefe spirite,  
 that it may still remaine.  
 1 My sins, O Lord, haue beene the cause  
 that I thy grace did want,  
 And when thy grace departed was,  
 I found thy spirit but scant.  
 3 The losse wherof did greeue me much,  
 and by the same I found  
 All goodnesse gone, all wickednesse  
 within me to abound.  
 4 For light and darknesse may not bee  
 at one time in one place,  
 No more may sin and wickednes  
 associat be with grace.  
 5 Wherefore the greatnesse of my losse  
 hath made my grieve the more,  
 And where in sin I had delight,  
 I now repent it sore.  
 6 Behold therefore most mightie God,  
 mine inward grieve of mind,

Verse 12  
*Redde mihi  
 letitiam sa-  
 taris tui, &  
 spiritu pri-  
 cipali confir-  
 ma me.*

Seven sobs of a

And of thy goodnes me restore,  
to that I cannot find.

7 I meane thy sacred holy spirit,  
which I through weaknesse lost,  
Mine enemies were strong and fierce,  
and cruelly me toft.

8 So that my soule too feeble was,  
their power for to withstand,  
Good Lord in grace yet once againe  
confirm me with thy hand.

9 And let thy spirit no more depart,  
no Lord not when I die,  
But that it may still with my soule  
remaine continuallie.

10 Then shal I stedfastly instruct  
the wicked in thy way,  
Whereby they may to thee returne,  
that long haue gone astray.

11 I wil my selfe put forth, O Lord,  
to sinners al that be,  
As an example them to cause  
for to remember thee.

12 I will not cease for to declare  
thy iustice euery where,  
And of thy iudgement bring them all  
in terror and in feare.

13 And then wil I againe extol  
thy mercies ouer all,  
To plucke them from despairing Lorde,  
least any therein fall.

14 Thus

erfe. 13.

ocedū mi-

os vici tu-

& impi-

se conuer-

stut.



*Sorrowfull soule.*

- 14 Thus shall I able be to do,  
being confirmd in thee,  
By working of thy holy spirit,  
which thou shalt put in me,  
15 Thy seruant Moses was afraide,  
to go on message sent,  
Till thou promis'd to be with him,  
when he to Pharo went.  
16 After which time he doubted not,  
but forth went on his way,  
Accomplishing thy holy hest,  
as thou didst bid him say.  
17 The seuentie elders of the host,  
to thee whom Moses brought,  
Til part of Moses spirit they had,  
were able to do nought.  
18 But after that they propheside,  
and did thy people guide,  
And ruled them with righteousness  
and truth on euery side.  
19 Lord, Peter at a womans voice,  
thy sweet sonne Christ denaid,  
And ready was him to forsake,  
he was so sore afraid.  
20 Vntil that thou reuiuedst him  
with this thy spirit of grace,  
Yea, Lord, thy lons Apostles al,  
were bidden for a space,  
21 To bide within Ierusalem,  
in praier and in loue;

Till

## Seven sobs of a

Till they were with thy holie sprite  
fulfilled from aboue.

22 Wherefore send down thy holy sprite,  
in me the same to bee,

erfe. 14.

ibera me de

nguinibus

us deus sani

is me.

And from the guiltinesse of bloud,  
good Lord deliuer me.

## The first part.

**T**Hou God that God art of my health,  
deliuer me I praie,

From sin that I committed haue,  
against thee day by day.

2 A multitude of sins there be,  
from flesh and bloud that grow,  
Which I through my concupiscence,  
haue dayly done I know.

3 And this corruption is in me  
by nature as I find,

For what is he can make that cleane,  
that is vncleane by kind?

4 How can a man of woman borne,  
be cleane I faine would kno,  
The child that is but one daie olde,  
yet is vncleane also.

5 Thus flesh and blood such works bring  
as ay corrupted bee,

And therefore cannot heauen inioy,  
ne dwell and raigne with thee.

6 Vpon corrupted nature mine,

**O** Lord powre forth thy grace:

And

*sorrowfull soule.*

And from these blouds deliuer me,  
and all my sins deface.

7 Then Lord shall I be purged cleane  
from all my wickednes,

Which grant good Lord, *So shal my toong,*  
*exalt thy righteousness.*

8 In that thou mercy shewst to me,  
being a wicked man,

Giuing me grace peniue to be,  
my greuous sins to scan.

9 Making me iust that am vniust,  
wherein thou God art found

In mercy, truth, and righteousness,  
most perfect, sure, and sound.

10 But yet, O Lord, before my toong,  
thy righteousness can raise,

*My lips and mouth thou open must,*  
*whereby to shew thy praise.*

11 For else vnseemely praise wil be,  
where lips be lickt with sin;

And where the mouth with wickednesse  
is stuffed full within.

12 Good Lord the prophet Esay,  
when he thy glory saw,

Confest his lips to be vncleane,  
and therefore stood in aw,

13 Vntil such time as Seraphin  
thou sentst with burning cole

his lips to touch, and therewithal  
he by and by was whole.

*Et exaltab  
lingua mea  
iustitiā tuam*

Verse. 15  
*Domine lab  
a mea aperie  
et os meū  
annuntiabit  
laudē tuam*

## Seuen jobs of a

14 I meane that his vnrighteousnesse  
 was then forgien quite,  
 And al his sins and wickednes  
 was cleane put out of sight.  
 15 O Lord my God in such a sort  
 vouchsafe my mouth to tuch,  
 That I thy glory may set forth,  
 to little and to much.

verse. 16.

*Quoniam si  
 soluisse sacri-  
 cium, dedis-  
 set, utiq. holo-  
 caustis non  
 delectaberis.*

16 To offer sacrifice to thee,  
 or offrings burnt were vaine,  
 No pleasure, Lord, hast thou in them,  
 nor ought in them remaine.

17 They were but figures of that thing,  
 which now to passe is come,  
 That is, the liuelie sacrifice  
 of Iesus Christ thy son.

18 To offer gold to thee, O Lord,  
 or treasure of the land,  
 It needeth not, sith al the world  
 is thine and at thy hand.

19 And yet I wil not empty come,  
 but offer vnto thee

verse. 17.

*sacrificium  
 o spiritus  
 contristatus,  
 cor humili  
 um deus  
 non despicies.*

An humble spirit with heart contrite  
 for mine iniquity.

20 This sacrifice, O Lord, I know  
 thou wilt no time despise,  
 But it behold, and looke thereon  
 with thy most gracious eies.

21 And lord for y there nothing shoulde  
 be left behind in me,

Both

*Sorrowfull soule.*

Both bodie, soule, and all hir powers  
I offer vnto thee.

22 And as a liuely sacrifice,  
as Ezechias did,

Such time as he thy fauor got,  
and health recouered.

23 The same did Mary Magdalen  
offer in humane sort,

The theeſe alſo vpon the croſſe  
to his endles comfort.

24 Great numbers more vnſpeakeable  
by this thy fauor wan,

25 And I through grace now penitent,  
although a ſinfull man,

Do claime no leſſe of mercie thine,  
for to be ſhewd to me:

Bicauſe thou art as then thou waſt,  
and euermore ſhalt be.

26 To Sion, Lord, likewiſe ſhew forth  
thy fauor and thy grace,

That is vnto thy faithful flock  
diſperſt from place to place.

27 Such as depend on thee alone,  
and do themſelues forſake,

Vpon the wals of this thy fort,  
thou Lord, muſt vndertake

28 Watchmen to ſet continually  
the ſame for to defend,

Leaſt that the enemies vnawares  
bring al to woſul end.

Both

29 Thou

Verſe. 18.

*Benigne fac  
domine in be-  
na voluntas  
tua Sion.*



29 Thou knowst, O Lorde, of what small  
mankind hath eu' bin, (torce  
Since first our Father Adam fell,  
when he committed sin.

30 Helpe vs therfore most mightie God,  
so with thy heavenly grace,  
As we in building Sion here,  
by faith may see thy face:

31 So shall we then through mercy thine  
be squared stone meet found  
To building of Ierusalem,  
who'e wals do stil abound

32 With liuely stones of thy true church  
here militant in earth,  
Where thine elect still offer shall  
while thou shalt spare them breath

33 Such offrings burnt as thou best lou'st  
which is of thanks and praise,  
Wee shall not spare the same to doo,  
while life shal length our dayes.

34 This sacrifice of iustice is,  
which all thy creatures craue,  
To giue the same onely to thee,  
most worthie so to haue.

35 This is the bullockes of our lippes,  
whereof the prophet saies,  
Wee shall with lippes vnto thy name  
confesse most condigne prayse,

36 Which shall to thee accepted bee,  
ten thousand times much more

*Et edificen-  
tur muri  
Ierusalem.*

*sacrificium  
iusticie.*

*Ecclie. 19.*

*Et accip-*

*abis oblation-*

*es et holo-*

*causta, tunc*

*adponent su-*

*per altare tu-*

*um visulos.*

*sorrowfull soule.*

*Than were the bullocks great and fat,*  
offred in time before.

37 Lord grant we may in number be  
of thine elected sort,


God, Which shall this sacrifice present  
vnto our soules comfort.

8 And that as burning incense sweet  
thou wilt receiue the same,

thine Vpon thine altar, which is Christ,  
our meane for sin and blame: Amen.

*Domine exaudi. Psal. 102.*

*The first part.*

 Blessed & most mighty God,  
of grace y fountaine spring,  
Of mercy great and plentifull,  
most rich in euery thing:

Thy blessed son in power with thee,  
is euen the same thou art,

In wisdom, knowledge, and mercy  
alike in euery part:

3 Thou didst not spare him down to send  
from heauenly throne aboue,

To suffer death mankind to saue;  
so ardent was thy loue.

4 Thou mad'st him poore was rich before  
to make vs rich thereby;

For now is he made one with vs,  
through power of deity.

**Good**

Sing this  
the tune of  
51. Psalm

Verse. 1.  
Domine ex-  
audi orationē  
meam, & cla-  
mor meus ad  
te veniat.

Verse. 2.  
Non avertas  
faciem tuam  
a me in qua  
cunque die  
tribulor in-  
clina ad me  
aurē tuam.

In quacunque  
die imitaueris  
me, velociter  
exaudi me.

- 5 Good Lord my praier hearken to;  
and let my dolefull cry  
Come unto thee, and pearce the eares  
of thine high maiesty.
- 6 Shew forth, O Lord, thy countenance  
of delectable shewe,  
And with the eies of pity thine,  
some fauor on me throw.
- 7 And in the day of trouble mine  
shine eare bow downe to me,  
And turne not thou thy face away,  
when I shal cal on thee.
- 8 But chiefelie at the poynt of death,  
giue care and me defend,  
And let thy grace procure and worke  
in me a ioyfull end.
- 9 In whasoeuer day I call,  
O Lord, with speed giue eare,  
And me deliuer from the greefes  
of troubles and of feare.
- 10 In speedy calling on thy name,  
O Lord, thou tak'st delite,  
And answer thine more ready is,  
than any may recite.
- 11 Wherefore in hast make speed, O Lord  
in hearing when I pray,  
As I by need am driuen to craue  
thine aiding helpe and stay.
- 12 For why the time of life is short  
that I haue here to bide,

*Sorrowfull soule.*

And am vncertaine of the time  
when time from me shal slide.

3 At first thou Adam didst induc,  
when he created was,

With life of immortalitie;  
but sin brought death (alas)

4 Which death from him is due to vs,  
that beareth life this day,

so that my daies like to the smoke  
consume and wast away.

5 Age cuertaketh youth I see,  
and youth by stealth doth flie,

as doth the smoke vanish away  
aloft vnder the skie.

6 Yea many times it chanceth so,  
yer age come vs vpon, (make  
that death by stroke such wound dooth  
that life with speed is gone.

7 Thus passeth forth my time of life,  
more swifter I may say,

than is the ship good vnder saile,  
or Egle after pray.

8 My bones are waxen very dry  
as is the firebrande,

as the pot of clay, which doth  
in flaming furnace stand.

As bones of mine do well sustaine  
the flesh the body keepes,

so doth the power of soule sustayne  
the soule that neuer sleepes.

20 Which

Verse. 3.

*Quia defec-  
runt sicut fra-  
gmina dies vite*

*Et ossa mea  
sicut crenula  
struerunt.*

## Seuen sobes of a

20 Which being moistned with thy grace  
shall quicke and liuely be,  
And able for to worke those works  
most pleasing vnto thee.

21 But if thy grace be stil withdrawne,  
then all thall drie remaine;  
Both body, soule, and all their powers  
in cuerlasting paine.

Verse. 4.

*Percussus su  
ut fenum &  
aruit cor me-  
um.*

22 Full well may men be likened to  
the grasse or withered hay,  
My heart is stricken with remorse  
because I went astraic,

23 So long as man by gift of grace  
doth liue and worke aright,  
So long is he greene flourishing,  
and liuelie in thy sight:

24 But when that sin makes entry in,  
which causeth man to fall,  
Then by and by he withereth,  
and barren is withall.

*Quia oblitus  
su comedere  
panem meum.*

25 I haue forgot my bread to eate,  
that thou to me didst giue;  
Which is thy holy sacred word,  
by which my soule doth liue.

26 And I haue eaten of the fruit  
of the forbidden tree,  
And tasted haue of sin and death,  
and brought thy wrath on me.

27 Wherefore my leaues wither awa  
my fruit falls on the ground,



*Sorrowfull soule.*

And as a barren tree am left  
 vnperfect and vnfound.  
 28 The fearefull voice of sentence thine  
 for mine offences donne,  
 Doth cause me mourne, lament & grone  
 my time yet for to ronne.  
 29 And with my voice of mourning mind,  
 my bones haue cleaued hard  
 vnto my flesh, and sticke so fast,  
 that nothing I regard.  
 30 Thus like vnto a pelican,  
 I draw my selfe alone,  
 And call to mind my greeuous crimes,  
 and do the same bemone.  
 31 The pelican as some report,  
 hir harmles birds doth kil,  
 And three daies after mourneth shee,  
 and is vnquiet still. (plucks,  
 32 Then with her beake hir brest shee  
 till bloud gush out amaine,  
 Which she lets drop vpon hir yong,  
 till they reuiue againe.  
 33 Thus, Lord, do I with my sweet birds,  
 which are my works through grace,  
 By sin committed I them kill,  
 and do them all deface.  
 34 But yet by praier for thy grace,  
 which springes of grace indeede,  
 The said dead workes are quicke againe,  
 my sickly soule to feed.

Verse. 5.

*A voce gemitus mei, adhuc sit os meum carni meae:*

verse. 6.

*Similis factus sum pellicano solitudinis.*

35 And

## Seven fobs of a

35 And Adam as a pelican,  
touching some property,  
For through his sin he flue the birdes  
came of his progenie.

36 And dead he had remained still,  
had not sweet Christ thy son  
Shed forth his blood vs to reuiue,  
by mercy great was don.

37 He kils and can raise vp to life,  
hee strikes and heales againe,  
As in the persecution  
of Paul appeareth plaine.

38 Shame caueth mee for to withdrawe  
my selfe to be alone,

*Paſſus ſum  
ſicut nyctico-  
rax in domi-  
lio.*

*As doth the crow that flies by night  
which would be ſcene of none.*

39 And if I could, I would me hide  
from thee, as Adam did,  
Such time he taſted of the fruit  
that thou didſt him forbid.

40 The workes of darkneſſe loued I,  
and therefore did I flee  
From the moſt bright and ſhining ſunne  
of iuſtice due to mee.

41 O Lorde, for this cauſe doo I ſigh,  
ſtill ſorrowe, weepe, and wayle,  
As one that ouerwatched is,  
whoſe reſt and ſleepe doth fayle.

*perſe. 7.  
ſigilanti &  
ſtus ſum  
ut paſſer  
ſitaris in  
ſeo.*

42 And as the ſparrow do I watch  
that drawes her ſelfe alone,

## Sorrowfull soule.

Under the euiings of the house,  
 hir fellowes want to mone.  
 43 And to augment my grieve withall,  
 mine enemies al day  
 Doraile on me, and me reuile,  
 so spitfull as they maie.  
 44 Againe (alas) My fayned friender,  
 that praised me before,  
 Against me now conspire themselves,  
 and vex me very sore.  
 45 Such false & fained flattering friends,  
 much worse and harmefull bee,  
 Than those that openly professe  
 and shew their enmity.  
 46 But both those sortes are sent to mee,  
 for plague vnto my sin,  
 and for the great iniquitie  
 that I haue wallowed in.

## The second part.

**M**y bread with ashes do I eate;  
 that is I right wel kno,  
 of earth and slime was made,  
 to earth againe shal go.  
 Thus, in such bitter thoughts as these,  
 I eat my bread withall,  
 and mingle my drinke with weeping teares,  
 that from mine eies do fall.  
 Because thou angry art with me  
 for mine offences past;

Verse. 8.  
 Totā die ex-  
 probabant  
 mihi inimici  
 mei.

Et qui lauda-  
 bant me ad-  
 uersum me in-  
 rabant.

Verse. 9.  
 Quia cinerem  
 tanquam pa-  
 nem mandu-  
 cabam.

Et potum me-  
 um cum fletu  
 miscebam.

Verse. 13. O Lord, I know when time shal come,  
*A facie ire*  
*& indignati-*  
*onis tuae.*  
 of iudgement day at last,  
 4 Thy wrath and indignation,  
 shal then proceed from thee,  
 And fall vpon the heads of those  
 that worke iniquitie.  
*Quia eleuasti*  
*me, & allisif-*  
*ic me.*  
 5 O Lord, thou hast me lifted vp,  
 and throwne me to the ground,  
 In that thou madst me like thy selfe,  
 yet I was to be found.  
 6 No higher couldst thou lift me vp,  
 than to beatitude;  
 But then (alas) thou letst me fall,  
 whereby I this conclude.  
 7 My noble soule thou ioined hast  
 with massie earth and clay,  
 And body fraile, the weight whereof  
 driues downe my minde alwaie.  
 8 And Lord, in my creation  
 thou hast set me so hie,  
 Aboue all other creatures  
 that are vnder the skie.  
 9 And almost equall am I made  
 with blessed Angels thine,  
 But in this state when I transgresse,  
 damnation then is mine.  
 10 So that without thy mercies helpe  
 I am in far worse plight  
 Than any beast, whose life or soule  
 with body dies outright.

## sorrowfull soule.

11 My daies (alas) away doth passe,  
as shadow new begun,  
And I am withered like the grasse,  
changed by heat of sun.

12 Lorde graunt in shadowe of this life,  
I may haue grace to see  
The light and knowledge of thy worde,  
and waies preparad for me.

13 Which word giues light vnto y<sup>e</sup> babe  
yet sucking at the brest,  
For after that this life is past,  
repentance none doth rest.

14 And since the time, O Lorde, is short  
of mine abiding heere,  
Thy grace continue towarde mee,  
my guiltinelle to cleere,

15 For ~~truly~~ thine abiding is  
for euer to endure,

And thy remembrance thorough out  
all generations sure.

16 But what is thy remembrance,  
through generations al?  
It is the diuine propertie,  
that vnto thee doth fall.

17 For to bee meeke and mercifull,  
which thou hast euer dun,  
from time to time, and age to age,  
since first the world begun.

18 And art more mindful of our state,  
and readier to forgiue,

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Than

Verse. 11.  
Dies mei si-  
cut umbra a-  
clinauerunt,  
& ego sicut  
secum arui

Verse. 12.  
Tu autem do-  
mine in aeter-  
num perma-  
nes, & mem-  
oriale tuum  
generatione  
& generatio-  
num.



## Seven sobes of a

Verse. 13

*Tu exurgens  
misereberis  
Sion.*

*Quia tempus  
misericordie  
est, quia ve-  
nit tempus.*

Than is the mother of her child  
late borne with her to liue,

19 Arise therefore and mercy shew,  
good Lord vpon Sion,  
Which is thy faithful people al,  
or congregation.

20 For time it is on hir to looke,  
and mercie shine extend,  
She hath long time great paine sustain  
whereof she craues an end.

21 What is this time, whereof we speak  
was euer anie time,  
In which thou didst not mercie shew,  
to louing seruants thine?

22 No verilie. For from the time,  
the angels downe did fall,  
Vntil the time the world shall end,  
thy mercie euer shall,

23 As it hath bin, from time to time,  
vpon al that repent,  
But chiefelie was thy mercie shewd,  
when Christ was hither sent

24 To suffer death, to win vs life,  
thereby he enter might

• The glory of thy maiestie,  
aboue the Angels bright.

25 This time was cald the time of gra  
and was appointed when  
The fulnes of the time was come,  
which was vnscene to men.

*Sorrowfull soule.*

16 And yet before this time, to him  
was scene my Deitie,  
Whereby, O Lord, al thinges thou doost  
in order with mercie.

17 This time of heavenly grace we trust  
shal stil continue heare,  
To those in time that seruc thee,  
with penance, loue, and feare,

18 The stones of Sion pleased well  
thy seruants for thy truth,  
And they vpon the ground thereof  
shal pity haue and ruth.

19 Apostles thine thy seruants were,  
the stones good Christians bee,  
And thou the sure foundation  
of this faire worke to see.

20 Not vpon man nor Angels bright  
did they this building lay,  
But vpon thee the corner stone,  
of al their worke the stay.

21 And as the heathen, Lord, shal feare  
and tremble at thy name,  
So Sion shall thy faithfull church,  
giue glory to the same.

22 Because thou lord, hast Sion built,  
thou wilt be scene therein,  
in glorie and great Maiestie,  
with mercy for our sin.

23 Wherefore most louing father deere,  
regard our humble sute,

Verse. 17.

Quoniam pe-  
cuerunt seru-  
tuis lapides  
ius, & terra  
cuius misere-  
buntur.

Verse. 18.

Et timebunt  
gentes nome-  
tuum domini  
& cunctos re-  
gis terra glo-  
riam tuam.

Seuen sobsof a

via sua.

Verse, 17.

*Respexit in o-  
rationem hu-*

*milium, &  
non spreuit  
prece eorum.*

Verse. 18.

*Scribantur  
hec in genera-  
tione altera,  
& populus  
qui creabitur  
laudabit do-  
minum.*

Verse, 19.

*Quia pro-  
spexit de ex-  
celso sancto  
suo dominus,  
de caelo in ter-  
ram aspexit.*

Verse, 20.

*Vt audiret ge-  
mitus compe-  
ditorum, ut  
solueret filios  
incredulorum*

And not despise the plaints we make,  
nor do our sins impute.

34 As thou beheldst the sacrifice  
that Abell gaue to thee,  
And as the praier Iudith made,  
so cast thine eie to me.

35 With those same eies vouchsafe to  
vpon vs when we pray, (look  
Whereby the fame of mercie thine  
may written be for aie.

36 For those that after vs shal come,  
by faith that borne shal bee,  
To render thanks, giue laud, and praise  
vnto thy maiestie.

37 This mercie lure annexed is  
to nature thine diuine,  
When all was lost through deadly sinne  
yet didst thou make vs thine.

38 Thou Lord aloft from heavenly throne,  
didst viewe all thinges alowe,  
And wouldst vouchsafe vpon the earth  
thy gracious eie to throw:

39 To see and heare the plaints we make,  
that fettered be in thrall,  
And sent'st thy deare beloved Sonne  
from sinne to loose vs all.

40 And he thereby put downe the diue  
of death that victor was,  
And death in victorie was consum'd,  
this hath hee brought to passe.

*Sorrowful soule.*

- 41 For why his sting of deadlie sinne,  
thou Lord hast pluckt away  
To make vs thinke of goodnesse thine,  
wherein reioice we may,  
42 And that in Sion we may see,  
the glory of thy name,  
And likewise in Ierusalem  
with praise to do the same.  
43 That is, when wee together meete  
in faith with one accord,  
As wel the king as subiects poore,  
to serue and praise the Lorde.  
44 Thou art, O Lord, in substance one,  
and yet in persons three,  
To whom al powres in heauen & earth,  
obeisance giue to thee.  
45 Thou sedest downe thy dewes of grace  
vpon vs for to light,  
That we therwith good works may shew  
to euery bodys sight.  
46 I answere may, by no meanes else,  
good works bee wrought by me,  
but by the vertue and the grace  
that doth proceed from thee.  
47 Thorow thy might thy lawes we keep  
not of our selues we know,  
but by the measure of thy grace,  
thou didst on vs bestow.  
48 And yet, O Lorde, I faine would knowe,  
how short my daies shal be,

D 3.

And

Verse. 21.

*Ut annuncius  
emus in Sion  
nomen domini,  
et laudem eius  
in Ierusalem.*

Verse. 22.

*Quum colliguntur populi  
fiscus & reges  
ut seruiant  
deo.*

Verse. 23

*Respondemus  
in uia ueritatis  
sue.*

*Paucitatem  
dierum meo-  
rum nuncia  
mibi.*

## Seuen Iobs of a

And eke how long mine enimies  
shal triumph ouer me.

49 Which is, thy church desires to know  
how long she shal abide,

Beset with cruell enimies  
about on every side.

50 To whom thou hast an answer made,  
by Christ thy blessed son,

That still thy power with hir shall bee,  
vntill the world be donne,

51 And we hir children thee desire  
to bring vs to the end

Of this short time, that we with thee  
may to the heauens ascend.

52 And till y time good Lord vouchsafe,  
that wilt continue still,

Thy grace and fauor toward vs,  
according to thy will.

erle. 24.

ereuoces

e in dimidio

erum mea-

72.

53 And not to leaue me any time,  
in middle of my daies,

But by thine aid bring all my time  
to end vnto thy praise.

54 That after these my temporall daies,  
I may beholde and see

Thine euerlasting daies and yeeres,  
which cannot numbred be.

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m & gene-

tionem an-

616.

55 For all times here do swiftlie passe,  
as time that is vn sure,

But yet time of eternitie  
for euer shall indure.



*sorrowfull soule.*

56 For why, O Lord, eternity  
is very substance thine,  
which substance who so seekes to know,  
no reason can define.

The third part.

**W**ithout beginning Lorde, thou wast,  
and yet beginning gaue  
To heauen & earth, & al therein,

which that creation haue, (power,  
2 Thy hāds them wrought, which is thy  
thy word them made also,  
And at the last, *They perish shall,*  
and motions theirs forgo.

3 Their substance stil they al shal keepe,  
yet all shal changed be,  
For heauen and earth shal now be made  
of glory great to thee.

4 Likewise the bodies of al men,  
shal perish with the rest,  
And in another sort shall rise,  
to thee as seemeth best.

5 But thou Lord, truly shalt indure,  
in thy high glory great,  
In maiestie omnipotent,  
sitting on mercy seat:

6 When al shal wax and weare away,  
as garments old to see,  
And as a vesture new put on,  
we all shal changed be.

Verse. 25.

*In initio tu  
domine terram  
fundasti, &  
opera manuum  
tuarum  
sunt cœli.*

Verse. 26.

*Ipsi peribunt*

*Tu autem  
permanes.*

*Et erunt sicut  
cut vestimen-  
tum vetera-  
rum: & sicut*

## Seuen jobs of a

toriu mu-  
is eos e-  
stabisur.

esc. 17.

ansem

ispse es.

anni tui  
s deficient.

esc. 25.

si seruoru  
rum habi-  
tent: & se-  
a eorum in  
slum diri-  
ar.

7 As garments to the body are,  
to couer them withall,

So be the bodies of the soule,  
their vestures and their pal.

8 But thou art euen the selfe same one,  
which euer doost abide,

That is to say omnipotent,  
and so is none beside,

9 Inuisible thou art likewise,  
immortal eke withall,

And as thy yeeres shal neuer faile,  
so euer bide they shal.

10 So shall the soules of thine elect  
immortallie remaine,

In ioy and great felicitie,  
not knowing any paine.

11 The soules of those that wicked are  
immortal be also,

But they contrary shal endure  
continual paine and wo.

12 And Lord, The sonnes of seruantes shine,  
together they shall dwel,

Likewise their seed shall in thy sight  
stil prosper and do wel.

13 Thy seruants, Lord, the prophet were  
Apostles thine also,

From whom by faith we haue receiu'd,  
as we belecue and kno.

14 And now vouchsafe most mighty God  
to send vs of thy grace,

That

That in this life our faith by works  
may shine in euery place.

15 That they to all may signifie,  
how we thy seruants bee,

And that both soule and bodie maie  
remaiue and rest with thee.

*De profundis. Psal. I 30.*

**O** God thou art the guide  
of those that blinded bee,  
And vnto those y are opprest  
a succour sweet we see.

2 A comfort to the weake,  
and ease to those in paine,  
A life vnto the dead in graue,  
that sleeping yet remaine.

3 O Lord, this makes me bold,  
though wicked I be found,  
And ouerwhelmed deepe in sin,  
and therein being dround,

4 To call and crie to thee,  
from depth of miserie,  
Where none (but thou) can raise me vp,  
and safe deliuer mee.

5 I can but morne and weepe,  
fetch sighs, lament, and cry,  
As doth the woman great with child,  
whose hower draweth nie.

6 She no time can take rest,  
til she deliuered bee,

Sing this  
the tune  
y 38. Psal

*Seuen sobes of a*

Nor I, till that my conscience feele  
to be forgiuen of thee.

7 It is not distance long,  
that keeps my praier backe,  
Thou, Lord, doost heare before wee call,  
and giuest what we lack.

8 Jonas was in the Sea,  
and in the fith three daies,  
And from the deepe he call'd on thee,  
and straight thou didst him rayse.

9 But from the deepe likewise,  
of sinne and wickednes,  
To thee I call, Lord heare my voice,  
and free me from distresse.

10 And let thine eares, sweet Lord,  
to heare attentive bee,  
The voice and praier of my plaintes,  
that now I make to thee.

11 And sith that Christ thy son,  
hath suffred for vs all,  
From endlesse death, to which by sinne,  
we bounden were and thral;

12 Let not my sins then, Lord,  
to me be stop or staie,  
Whereby my plaint should not be heard  
nor voice when I shal pray.

13 But rather wipe awaie  
my sins for euer more,  
The burden of the which I feele,  
too greivous be and sore.

erle. 1.

de profundis  
amaui ad re  
mine.

erle. 2.

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uocem me-

3. Faint au-

s tue inten-

ates ad vo-

m depreca-

uis mee.

*Sorrowfull soule.*

- 14 If thou Lord, be extreame,  
 to marke what sinnes bee doone,  
 Alas, no flesh shall saved bee,  
 that is vnder the sonne.
- 15 O Lord, if that the iust,  
 shal no time able be  
 to enter into iudgement thine,  
 to plead his cause with thee:
- 16 What shall become of me  
 that daily doo offende,  
 And of my sin and wickednes,  
 (alas) do know no end?
- 17 Most vile and wretched man,  
 and caitife wo forlorne,  
 What shal I do but flee to thee?  
 with heart berent and torne.
- 18 For mercie is with thee,  
 increasing more and more,  
 Wherewith thou didst vouchsafe to come  
 mankind for to restore,
- 19 Wherein was satisfied  
 thy iustice, and also  
 Thy mercy found that which is sought,  
 as we by grace do kno.
- 20 How feruent was this loue,  
 to which thou didst vs bind?  
 First by the law of nature writ  
 in euery heart and mind.
- 21 And then by law, which was  
 in tables written deepe,

Verse. 3.  
*Si iniquitas  
 obseruaueris  
 domine, don  
 ne quis sust  
 nebat.*

Verse. 4.  
*Quia apud  
 propitiatus e*

Verse. 5.  
*Et propter la  
 gem tuam sic  
 stimui te do  
 mine.*

That



## Seuen jobs of a

That euery one accordingly,  
the same shoulde holde and keepe,

22 Which was, that one of vs  
should with the other beare,  
And thereby to fulfil thy will,  
with pity, loue, and feare.

23 I knowing this am glad,  
contented eke withall,  
For to remit such iniuries,  
as vnto mee maie fall.

24 For why, good Lord, I know  
thou doost forgiue to me,  
Much more offences euerie daie  
committed vnto thee.

25 And when it shall thee please,  
to scourge me for my sin,  
I gladly shall the same receiue  
knowing what I haue bin,

26 And that thy chastisement  
proceeds of very loue,  
Which all shall turne to me such wealth,  
as no man can remoue.

27 Hoping after this life,  
my soule shall then obtaine,  
Which hope abides stil in thy worde,  
an euerlasting gaine.

28 Such hope my soule hath had,  
by grace thou gau'st to me,  
And by the same I firmly trust,  
my soule shal saued be.

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ma mea in  
erbo tuo.  
erse, 6,  
derauit an-  
a mea in  
mine,*

*Sorrowfull soule.*

29 The husbandman through hope,  
his ground doth plough and sowe,  
The same in hope doth reape and thresh,  
that gaine thereby might growe.

30 Euen so wil I abide,  
in hope of glory thine,  
Not only in my youth, O Lord,  
or any pointed time:

31 But stil from morning watch,  
untill the night of death,  
Which is, from youth vnto mine age,  
when life shal passe with breath.

32 Who so shal cast awaie  
this hope yer death proceed,  
Shall loose the time hee watcht before,  
and want thy helpe a need.

33 This hope in promise thine,  
my soule hath safely laid,  
Within the bosome of her brest,  
for euer to bee stayd.

34 And verie meete it is  
that Israel also,  
Which is al faithful Christians,  
this hope should feele and kno.

35 For blessed is the man,  
that in the Lord doth trust,  
And who in man affiance puts,  
he surelie is accurst.

36 For mercy is with God,  
and grace aboundant store,

*A custodia  
matutina  
que ad nocte*

Verse. 7.  
*Speret Israel  
in Domino*

*Quia apud  
dominum  
sericordia,  
copiosa apud  
eum.*

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rse. 1.

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ritate tua

audi me.

With which Israel is redeewide  
from sin for euermore, Amen:

*Domine exaudi. Psal. 143.*

The first part.

**O** Lord, long time I wandred haue,  
and gone from thee astray,  
And lost the portion y<sup>e</sup> me gau'st,  
in wastful sinners way.

2 With grace thou didst replenish mee,  
therewith to follow thee,

But lust and liking of the flesh  
hath driuen the same from mee,

3 So that vnworthie far I am,  
for to be cald thy Sonne,

My wickednes so foule appeares,  
and faults that I haue donne.

4 Yet with the wastfull childe, O Lorde,  
I do my selfe accuse,

And am with shame surpriz'd & caught,  
I did my selfe abuse.

5 Wherefore Lord ponder my desire,  
and heare me when I pray,

And for thy truth and righteousness,  
attend to that I saie.

6 Thou hast with gifts indued me,  
of bodie and of minde,

And I the same abused haue,  
and shewd my selfe vnkind.

7 Thy

## sorrowfull soule.

7 Thy iustice still dooth threaten mee,  
with euerlasting paine,

Thy mercy yet doth promise me  
to be restord againe.

8 Enter not into iudgement then,  
with me, I humbly pray.

For in thy sight no man is iust,  
as of himselfe to saie.

9 We all by sinne our selues haue made  
more lothsome then the swine,

And fouler to be looked on,  
wert not for mercy thine.

10 Which shall vs make like to the wooll,  
in colour faire and white,

When al our sins thou shalt forget,  
and cleane put from thy sight.

11 But yet the diuel mine enimie,  
my soule pursueth still,

And hath brought low my life in earth,  
a seruant to his will.

12 And with his net me compass rounde,  
where vaine delights do dwell,

Where lust vncleane and wickednesse  
to bide doth me compel.

13 He hath me set in darknesse such,  
as men that no life haue,

Or as those people being dead  
are couered in the graue.

14 Now, Lord, My spirit so vexed is  
my heart is green'd also,

Verse. 1.

Et non intre  
in iudicium  
cū seruo tuo:  
quia non iust  
ficabitur in  
conspicū tu  
omnis vinen

Verse. 3.

Quia perfec  
tus est inimi  
cus animam  
meam, humili  
auit in terre  
vitam meam  
collocauit m  
in obscuris  
cut mortuus  
seculis.

Verse. 4.

Et anxius  
est super

My

Thy

me spiritus  
meus; in me  
turbatum est  
cor meum.

Verse. 5.

Memor sum  
dierum anti-  
quorum, medi-  
tatus sum in  
omnibus ope-  
ribus tuis, et  
factis manuum  
tuarum me-  
dabor.

Verse. 6.

Expandi ma-  
nus meas ad  
aqua, in ma mea  
ut terra si-  
at aqua.

My conscience likewise witness beares  
of anguish mine and wo.

15 My wisdom, Lord, confused is,  
by reason of my sinne,

Repentance great my heart doth rent,  
to thinke what I haue bin.

16 I call to mind the daies of old,  
and works that thou hast wrought,

The marvellous deeds that thou hast doone,  
I muse on in my thought.

17 As in the time of Moses law,  
where mercie was not showne,  
And he that did the same transgresse,  
by death was ouerthrowne.

18 Yet in this hard and leuere time,  
thy mercy forth was sent,  
By prophets thine, with promise made,  
to all that did repent.

19 If thou in time of cruelty  
couldst then such mercie shoue,  
Much more O Lorde, in time of grace  
on me thy mercy throw.

20 I haue spread forth my handes to thee,  
my soule for helpe doth cry,  
As doth the earth that moisture wants  
where water none doth ly.

21 That is, my life I changed haue,  
from vaine delights that be,  
And haue my soule spread forth at large,  
that thou his filth mightst see.



*sorrowfull soule.*

12 For as the earth that moisture wants,  
must barren be by kind,

So if my soule be void of grace,  
no good is there to find.

13 But yet through moisture of y grace  
from thee that doth proceed,

Vouchsafe I may thy mercy haue,  
and that, O Lord, with speed.

14 Heare me, O Lord, and that right soone,  
for why my spirit is weake

And feeble made, much like a man  
that wanteth power to speake.

15 The feare is such that I possesse,  
I readie am to fall,

The strength whereby my bodie liues  
is gone away withall.

16 This feare of endles punishment,  
which I deserued haue,

Had wel nigh brought me in despaire,  
yer I possesse the graue.

## The second part.

Good Lord turne not thy face away,

least I be like to those

that do descend into the pit,

where nought but horror growes.

Thou wilt not Lord the death of him

that hath offended thee,

but rather that he should returne,

and saued so to be.

verse. 7.

*Velociter ex-  
audi me domi-  
ne, defecit spi-  
ritus meus.*

*Non auert as  
faciem tuam  
a me, ne simi-  
lis fuero descen-  
dentibus in  
lacum.*

*Seuen sobsof a*

- 3 Thou art the true and only God,  
the sauiour of mankind,  
Without thee there is nothing else  
that we shall mercy find.
- 4 Then turne to me thy countenance  
of amiable grace,  
And let thy mercy shadow me,  
while life I haue and space.
- 5 And laie not to my charge good Lord,  
the sins that I haue donne,  
But them forget, and me fergiuē,  
for Christes sake thy Son.
- 6 And cause thy mercy to be heard,  
of me before the prime,  
For I in thee haue put my trust,  
alone from time to time.
- 7 Most blessed Lord, grant that I maie  
thy mercy sweet obtaine,  
And that right soone thou me release  
from my deserued paine.
- 8 With great repentance do I cal,  
my hope assureth me,  
Thou wilt fergiuē me al my sins,  
because I trust in thee.
- 9 I know that thou art nigh to al  
that cal vpon thy name,  
And wilt direct their steps aright,  
that craue of thee the same.
- 10 Wherefore good Lord shew me the waie  
I ought for so walke in,

erfe. 8.

*Audi tam fac  
mihi mane mi  
ericordiam  
tam, quia in  
speraui.*

*o tam fac  
hi viam in  
a am.*

*sorrowfull soule.*

For I my soule haue liſted up,  
 to thee with all my ſin,  
 11 Lord manie times in deed thou haſt  
 directed me the waie,  
 And I haue purpoſd in my ſelfe,  
 no more to go aſtraie.  
 12 Yea, when I haue repentant bin,  
 and vowed in my hart  
 Thy law for to obſerue and keepe,  
 and neuer to depart.  
 13 The diuel my daily enimie  
 contriud the matter ſo,  
 That his deceit, yer I was ware,  
 gaue me the ouerthro.  
 14 And Lord without aſſiſtance thine,  
 he vanquiſh wil yer long  
 All the kingdomes vpon the earth,  
 he is become ſo ſtrong.  
 15 Deliuer me from al my ſoes,  
 for vnto thee I flie,  
 And giue me ſtrength, my God to do  
 thy will effectually.  
 16 For of my ſelfe no power I haue  
 to do the good I ſhould,  
 Ne for to wiſh or thinke the good  
 that verie ſaine I would.  
 17 Thy mercy only lord, it is  
 by which I muſt preuaile,  
 For man without thy helpe and ayde,  
 of purpoſe needs muſt faile.

*bulam quia  
 ad releuati-  
 nem meam*

verſe. 9.  
*Eripe me de  
 inimicis meis  
 domine ad te  
 confugi.*

verſe. 10.  
*Docce me fa-  
 cere volunt-  
 tem tuam,  
 quia Deus  
 meus es tu.*

## Seuen sobs of a

18 Thou hast with reason and with will  
indued me I know,  
But wil(of force) without thy grace,  
must reason ouerthrow.

spiritus bonus  
duces me in  
viam rectam.

19 Wherefore lord, let thy holy spirit,  
conduct me in the waie.

Vnto the land of righteousness,

I thee beseech and praie:

20 Where thine elect and chosen sort  
thy brightnes shal beholde,

With such heavenly felicitie  
as cannot here be told,

21 Not that I haue deserued Lord,  
for to possesse the same,

But for thine endles mercy sake,

erfe. 11.

propter ne-

cessitatem

misere.

and for thine holy name.

22 Thou wilt not, Lord, the death of him  
that dailie doth offend,

But that he rather do conuert,  
and so his life amend.

23 This is thy will, this is thy minde,  
though I a sinner bee,

If by repentance I doo turne,

then wilt thou turne to mee.

24 And then shal I receiued be,

and be reuiud againe,

And through thy equity be freed,  
of euerlasting payne.

ustificabis me  
aquitate

2.

25 For whereas I by sin am dead  
spirituallie to say,

Pres

*Sorrowfull soule.*

I shal bethinke me of the same,  
and for thy mercy pray.

26 My bodie nowe by nature weake,  
shal then in strength arise,  
And shall in glorie shine more bright,  
than doth the sun in skies.

27 Where now y<sup>e</sup> same, O Lord, is giuen  
to lust and lewd delight,  
Shal then arise all spirituall,  
and yeeld to reasons might.

28 No grossenesse then but that it may  
pearle through the thickest stone,  
And as for things corruptible,  
it shal haue mind of none.

29 Immortal it shal euer be,  
impassible withall,

him Betweene the bodie and the soule  
shal then no strife befall

(Soule

30 Thus Lord, Thou shalt bring forth my  
from troubles all that bee,  
And shalt mine en mies destroye,  
through mercie shewd to me.

31 Thou shalt them utterly confounde,  
that doo my soule molest,

For I by grace thy seruant am,  
and in thy mercy rest.

(me

32 Good Christ which gau'st thy life for  
and suffredst on the tree:

Preserue my body and my soule,  
and mercy haue on mee, Amen.

FINIS.

Educes de  
tribulatione  
animam me.  
Vetse. 12.  
Et in mise  
cordia tua  
dispertes in  
micos meos.  
Et perdes on  
nes qui trib  
lant anima  
meam, quon  
iam ego serua  
tuus sum.





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A Handfull of  
*Honisuckles:*

Gathered by *William*  
*Hunnis*, one of the Gentle-  
*men of hir Highnesse chappell,*  
and Maister to the chil-  
*dren of the same.*



Prepard with faith, confirmd with hope  
and furnished with loue,  
Approch and praie, to thou belowe  
shalt please the Lord above,

Newlie printed by  
*Peter Short.*

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Prou. 5. verse, 29.  
The Lord is absent very far,  
from such as be vnjust,



But he doth heare the righteous pray,  
(because in him they trust).

O  
Most  
thy  
  
Now  
rho  
lesu ch  
tha



**Certaine short and pttthy**  
*Praiers vnto Iesus Christ*  
**our Sauour.**

*The day shall come (saith Christ)*  
*and that shall manie see,*  
*Who calls vpon my name,*  
*shall surely be saved bee.*

**O** Iesu meeke, O Iesu sweet,  
O Iesu sauour mine,  
Most gracious Iesu to my call,  
thy gracious cares incline.

Now good Iesus, yer that I speake,  
thou knowest what I would haue:  
Iesu thy grace I know it is,  
that bids me mercie craue.

*A Handfull*

O Iesu deare, whose pretious blood,  
was shed on crosse of tree,  
Sweet Iesu for thy passion sake,  
haue mercy now on me, Amen.

2 **O** Iesu sweet, grant that thy grace  
alwaies so worke with me,  
I may desire the thing to do,  
most pleasing vnto thee.

O Iesu meeke, thy will be mine,  
my will be thine also,  
And that my will may follow thine,  
in pleasure, paine, and wo.

O Iesu what is good for me,  
is aie best knowne to thee;  
Therefore according to thy will,  
haue mercy now on me, Amen.

3 **O** Iesu deere, do thou with me,  
euen as thy will shall please,  
Sweet Iesu, put me where thou wilt,  
to suffer paine or ease.

Iesu, behold, I am but thine,  
where I be good or ill;  
Yet by thy grace I readie am,  
thy pleasure to fulfill.

Iesu, I am thy workmanship,  
most blessed maiest thou be;

Sweet



3  
of Hensfuckles.

Sweet Iesu for thy mercies sake,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.

O Iesu meeke, grant that I may  
repose my trust in thee,  
For thou sweet Iesu art the peace,  
and true tranquillitie.

Thou Iesu art the very peace,  
and quietnes of mind,  
The onely rest vnto the soule,  
that shall thy fauour find.

Wherefore sweet Iesu do vouchsafe,  
my soule this peace may lee,  
And for thy painfull passion sake,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.

O Iesu, if thou do withdraw  
thy comfort for a time,  
Let not despaire take hold on me,  
for any sinfull crime.

But giue me patience to abide  
thy pleasure and thy will,  
For sure thy iudgements all are right,  
though I be wicked still.

But yet a promise hast thou made,  
to all that trust in thee,  
According to which promise Lord,  
haue mercy now on me, Amen.

6

O Iesu deere giue me thy grace,  
I gladly suffer may,  
What euer so thy pleasure be,  
vpon me for to lay.

O Iesu meeke what thanks ought I  
to giue vnto thy name,  
Which for my sins to set me free,  
hast suffred death and shame?

O Iesu sweet my wickednes  
I do confesse to thee;  
Wherefore as thou hast promised  
haue mercy now on me, Amen.

7

O Iesu sweet, a little thing  
sometime doth vex me fore,  
And makes me slow to giue thee thanks;  
ah wo is me therefore.

Iesu, againe sometime I thinke,  
still stronglie for to stand,  
But when a little trouble comes,  
I strait fall vnder hand.

Thus Iesu see a small thing makes  
temptations great to bee,  
My weaknes Iesu doo behold,  
and mercie haue on me, Amen.

8

O Iesu Christ in all things now,  
assist me with thy grace,  
And make me strong w<sup>th</sup> heuently strenght  
while life I haue and space.

Iesu

5  
of Honisuckles.

Iesu let not mine enimie  
the feend ne yet the flesh  
Preuaile, though still they me assaile  
from day to day afresh.

But Iesu strengthen thou my spirit,  
it may the victor be,  
And for thy tender mercies sake,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.

O Iesu who shall giue me wings  
of perfect peace and loue,  
That I therewith from hence maie flie,  
and rest with thee aboue:

O Iesu when shall I ascend,  
and feele how sweet thou art,  
And leaue the earth and loue thee best,  
with all my soule and heart:

Sweet Iesu when thy pleasure is,  
the time is knowne to thee:  
Both now and then, O Iesu deere,  
haue mercie Lord on me, Amen.

O Iesu King of glorie great,  
the comfort of vs all:  
We wander here in wildernesse,  
and euery day do fall.

Sweet Iesu come and visit me,  
my heauie soule make glad,  
Which now through sin in prison lies,  
all heauie, sicke, and sad.

Good Iesu with thy presence set  
my soule at libertie,  
And for thy bitter passion sake,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.

11

O Iesu oft it greeueth me,  
and troubleth sore my mind,  
That I so weake and fraile am founde,  
to wander with the blind.

O Iesu deare, thou lasting light,  
whose brightnes doth excell,  
The cleernes of thy beames send down,  
within my heart to dwell.

O Iesu quicken thou my soule,  
that it may cleaue to thee,  
And for thy painefull passions sake,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.

12

O Iesu grant I maie resign  
my selte vnto thy will,  
And that I maie my selte forsake,  
and cleaue vnto thee still.

O Iesu grant that I maie haue  
of ioy and inward peace,  
And of the paines I haue deseru'd,  
good Iesu me release.

Sweet Iesu giue me inward ioy,  
my soule to feed on thee,

And

And for thy tender mercies sake,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.

**O** Iesu sweet I know I am  
but vanitie and sin,  
Vnconstant as the wind that blowes,  
and euer so haue bin.

13

Whereof then Iesu may I brag?  
or what haue I to saie?  
Shall I of men seeke to be prais'd?  
or yet extold for aie?

No Iesu sweet, the true praise is,  
for to be praisd of thee;  
Wherefore good Iesu weigh my case,  
and mercy haue on me, Amen.

**O** Iesu thou my glory art,  
in thee will I reioice,  
And not good Iesu in my selfe,  
nor yet in that mans voice

14

That worldly honour maie me giue,  
to set me vp on hie,  
To rule among the sons of men,  
and sit in dignitie.

These are but shadowes to compare  
to glory that's with thee,  
Sweet Iesu for thy glories sake,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.



*A handfull*

15

O Iesu here in earth we liue,  
and soone deceiued arre,  
With vain delights the earth doth yeeld  
wherein we run too farre.

But yet sweet Iesu if I could,  
behold my selfe right well,  
I should good Iesu plainelie see,  
and therein trulie tell,

The troubles that are false on me,  
were for offending thee,  
For which offence I pardon craue,  
haue mercy Lord on me, Amen,

16

O Iesu Christ vnder whose power  
is both the sea and land,  
Arise and helpe me to defend,  
by power of thy strong hand,

From such as lurke and lie in wait,  
and seeke to do me wrong,  
Sweet Iesu see how weake I am,  
and how that they be strong:

Iesu make haste and come with speed,  
my trust is all in thee;  
And therefore Iesu helpe me now,  
and mercie haue on me, Amen.

17

O Iesu comfort mine exile,  
asswage my dole and griefe,

with

9  
of Honisucker.

With thee to be is my desire,  
mine onelie cheefe releefe.

Iesu the pleasures of this world,  
they may not long indure,  
And he that puts his trust therein,  
shall find them all vnſure.

Sweet Iesu grant that I may haue  
mine onelie ioie in thee,  
And for thy bloudie paſſions ſake,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.

O Iesu Chriſt that haſt me made,  
and with thy bloud me bought,  
Suffer me not to be condemnd,  
whom thou haſt made of nought.

18

O Iesu mild in time of need  
thy mercie doo beſtow,  
And in thy iuſtice iudge me not,  
nor do thy rigor ſhow.

O Iesu in extremitie,  
I do appeale to thee,  
Wherefore ſith that I truſt in thee,  
haue mercy now on me, Amen.

O Iesu ſweet, for heavenly things  
I often ſeek to find,  
But then affections of the world  
doo backward pluck my mind.

19

E 5.

Again

*A Handfull*

Againe I seeke for to subdue  
th'affections that do rise,  
But to my spirit they will not be  
subiect in anie wise.

Thus Iesu meeke thou seest I strue,  
and all to be with thee,  
Wherefore good Iesu make me strong,  
and mercy haue on me, Amen,

20

O Iesu many times I pray,  
and call vpon thy name;  
When that my hart is far awaie,  
(alas) I more to blame.

And that good Iesu comesto mind,  
that custome often brought,  
Whereby the praiers that I make,  
be vaine and turne to nought.

Sweet Iesu pardon and forgiue,  
when so I pray to thee,  
And for thy endles mercies sake,  
haue mercy Lord on me, Amen.

21

O Iesu bee not long awaie,  
nor in thy wrath depart,  
But mortifie that flesh desires,  
and lighten thou my hart.

Send forth the burning flames of loue,  
cleane to consume for aie

The

The cloudie fancies of my mind,  
which trouble me alwaie.

Good Iesu gather all the powers  
of my poore soule to thee,  
And make me to refuse the world,  
and mercie haue on me, Amen.

**O** Iesu mild, thine care bow downe,  
and ponder my desire,  
Deale not with me as I deserue,  
to punish in thine ire.

32

But me defend O Iesu meeke,  
through mercy great of thine,  
From dangers such as may befall,  
this sinfull soule of mine.

O Iesu hide not thou thy face,  
from him that calls on thee,  
But Iesu of thy bitter death,  
haue mercie now on me, Amen.

**O** Iesu sweet with mercie now,  
reforme that is amisse,  
And with the strength of thy great grace  
send light where darknes is.

23

Good Iesu from my secret faults,  
doo make me cleane and bright,  
And from presumptuous sins O Lord,  
defend me through thy might.

Good

*A Handfull*

Good Iesu cast my youthfull sin,  
 behind thy backe to be,  
 And for thy tender mercies sake,  
 haue mercy Lord on me, Amen.

24 **O** Iesu shut not vp my soule  
 with those that run astraie,  
 But let the shadow of thy wings,  
 my soule protect alwaie.

Good Iesu turne thee vnto me,  
 and clense me from my sin,  
 Sweet Iesu Christ do not behold  
 how wicked I haue bin;  
 But thinke vpon thy mercies great,  
 though I vnworthie bee;  
 And for thy painefull passion sake,  
 haue mercie now on me, Amen.

25 **O** Iesu sweet giue me an hart,  
 that is contrite and pure,  
 A bodie chaste that humble is,  
 and constant to endure.

A mind that is with heauenlie ioyes,  
 repleat through thy great grace,  
 A soule likewise to magnifie  
 thy praise in euery place.

**O** Iesu for thy mercie sake,  
 let these proceed from thee,  
 And then no doubt I shall be sure,  
 thou mercie hast on mee, Amen.

Cer.



Certaine blessinges pro-  
mised by God vnto all those  
that do loue and feare  
him, Deut. 28.

**W**Ho hearkēs to y<sup>e</sup> voice of God,  
& doth his law fulfil, (field,  
Shal blessed be in towne and  
with mercie and good will.

His fruit shall likewise blessed be,  
that from his loines shall spring:  
His corne and cattell shall increale,  
with plenty of all thing.

His oxen and his flocks of sheepe,  
shall blessed be with store:  
His going out and comming in,  
shall blest be euermore.

His enemies that shall arise,  
shall fall before his face,  
And flee for feare as doth the beast,  
the hunter hath in chase.

His houses that be made for store,  
with great increase shall gro,  
And euery thing he takes in hand,  
shall blessed be also.

Vouchsafe good God to giue me grace,  
so to direct my mind:

As

As by the same in time of need,  
I may thy blessing find, Amen.

*A meditation when ye  
go to bed,*

**O** Lord my God I wandred haue,  
as one that runs astraic,  
And haue in thought, in worde, in deed,  
in idlenes and plaic,

Offended sore thy maiestie,  
in heaping sin to sin,  
And yet thy mercy hath me spard,  
so gracious hast thou bin.

**O** Lord my faults I now confesse,  
and sory am therefore,  
But not so much as faine I would,  
**O** Lord what wilt thou more?

It is thy grace must bring that spirit,  
for which I humbly praie,  
And that this night thou me defend,  
as thou hast done this daie.

And grant when these mine eies & toong  
shall fayle through natures might,  
That then the powers of my soule,  
may praise thee day and night, Amen.

*A Meditation at your  
vprising.*

**O** Lord this night who hast mee kept  
from dangers all that be,  
And hast me giuen of rest and sleepe,  
so much as pleaseth thee.

where other of my brethren poore,  
of better life than I,  
Doo wander vp and downe the streetes,  
and harbourlesse do lie,

And some with sicknes are opprest,  
some impotent and lame, (chine  
Thus doost thou deale with creatures  
to glory of thy name.

**O** Lord in sort as I deserue,  
thou hast not dealt with me;  
But hast me giuen wherewith to liue,  
in better case to be.

Most mightie God this daie likewise,  
protect me from all blame,  
And giue me grace I thankfull be,  
with praises for the same, Amen.



*Athanasius*



*Athanasius his Creed , com-  
monlie called, Quicunq; vult.*

*By faith we please the Lord,  
by faith we are set free;  
By faith we worke the will of God,  
faith will not idle bee.*

**W**Hat man is he will saued bee,  
must first the true faith haue,  
Which faith vnles he hold &  
his soule God wil not saue. (keepe,

And this is now the perfect faith,  
to worship God in three:  
The Father, Son, and Holy-ghost,  
all three in Vnitie.

The persons neither to confound,  
nor substance to diuide,  
For he that shall so thinke of them,  
from perfect faith is wide.

For of the Father, of the Son,  
and of the Holy-ghost,  
Be persons three in seuerall,  
and all in might be most.

The

*of Honisuckles.*

The Father, Son, and Holy-ghost,  
in Godhead equall be,  
In glory like, and so in might,  
and so in maiestie.

Such as the heauenly father is,  
such is the Sonne also;  
Such is likewise the holy-ghost,  
al three one God, no mo.

The Father was vncreated,  
so was the Sonne likewise,  
The holy-ghost vncreated,  
still one for to deuise.

The Father without number is,  
none may him comprehend,  
The Son likewise, and Holy-ghost,  
all three one without end.

The Father, Son, and Holy-ghost,  
eternall do indure,  
And yet not three eternals be,  
but one eternall sure.

Not three that number doo exceed,  
nor three vnmade certaine,  
But three in one and one in three,  
for euer doo remaine.

The Father, Son, and holy-ghost,  
omnipotent bee all:  
And yet not three omnipotents,  
but one beleeue we shall.

The



*A Handfull*

The Father God, the Son is God,  
 the Holy-ghost also:  
 And yet three Gods we shall not saie,  
 of Gods but one no mo.

The Father Lord, the son is Lord,  
 and Holy-ghost is Lord,  
 Yet not three Lords but one in three,  
 and three in one accord.

For like as we compelled be,  
 by Christian veritie,  
 Each person of them to confesse,  
 both God and Lord to be.

So are we by the same forbid,  
 in anie wise to saie,  
 Three Gods to be, or yet three Lords,  
 but three in one alwaie.

The father is not created,  
 begot nor made of none,  
 The son ne made nor created,  
 begot of him alone.

The Holy-ghost is from them both,  
 ne made, create, nor got,  
 But from the father and the son,  
 proceeding had we wot.

So then there is of fathers one,  
 not fathers three we see;  
 One son, not three, and so likewise  
 one Holy-ghost to bee.

And

And in this holy Trinitie,  
is none more great than other,  
But the whole three persons be,  
coequall altogither.

So that in all as foresaid is,  
the Vnitie in three,  
And Trinitie in Vnitie,  
ought worshipped to be.

Yet furthermore it needfull is,  
vnto saluation,  
That we belecue of Iesus Christ  
the incarnation,

The right faith is, that we beleue,  
and with one mouth foresho,  
That Iesus Christ the son of God  
is God and man also.

God of his fathers substance is,  
begot yer world was wrought,  
And man by flesh and bloud he tooke  
of hir who forth him brought.

Both perfect God and perfect man,  
is he without deuiding,  
And of a reasonable soule,  
and humane flesh abiding.

He to the father equall is,  
touching his Deitie,  
But he is lesse then father is,  
by his humanitie.

Who

*A Handfull*

who though hee be both God and man,  
yet one is he not twaine;  
That is to saie one Iesus Christ,  
for euer to remayne.

One, not by turning Godhead his,  
into the flesh we see,  
But raking manhood vnto God,  
by power of Deitie.

One, yet not by confusion,  
of this his substance sure,  
But by vnitie of person,  
which euer shall indure.

For as the reasonable soule,  
and flesh one man do make,  
So God and man is but one Christ,  
which suffred for our sake.

And then descended into hel;  
the third daie rose againe,  
From death to life; this hath he doone,  
mankind to rid from paine.

And after this ascended he,  
vnto the heauens on hie,  
And on his fathers right hand sits,  
one God eternallie.

From thence he shal come down againe,  
a rightfull iudge to be,  
To iudge the liuing and the dead,  
as he their works shall see.

*of Honisuckles.*

At whose descending all shall rise,  
 in twinkling of an eie,  
 And with his flesh shall him behold,  
 in throne of maiestie.

Then they that haue done righteouslie  
 shall heauen haue for their hire,  
 And they that haue done wickedlie,  
 haue euermore fire.

This is the true and perfect faith,  
 all Christians ought to haue,  
 Which faith vnles we do belecue,  
 our soules God will not saue.  
 Praise we these persons three in one,  
 and likewise one in three;  
 As from the first hath bin, now is,  
 and euermore shall be, Amen.

*A meditation to be said of women  
 with Child.*

*In time of trouble call on me,  
 And I will then deliuer thee.*

**T**He time drawes nie,  
 of bitter painefull throwes,  
 How long I shall  
 the same indure God knowes.

O Lord my God  
 I humbly aske of thee,  
 Make haste sweet Christ,  
 and save deliuer mee.

**Although**

Although my sinne  
 deserued haue right wel,  
 Such paine as this;  
 yea more the tooong cā tel:  
 Yet ah, my God  
 turne not awaie thy face,  
 Nor me forsake,  
 in this so sharpe a case.  
 This wombe, and fruit  
 that springeth in y same  
 Hast thou create,  
 to glory of thy name.  
 Opprest with paine,  
 O Lord when I shall be,  
 Make lesse the same,  
 so much as pleaseth thee,  
 And graunt good God,  
 thy creature may proceed,  
 Safe lie on liue,  
 with mercy at my neede.  
 In Christes name,  
 I will my trauell the;  
 Now Holy-ghost,  
 come comfort me in wo.  
 Come father deere,  
 and let thy power descēd,  
 O Iesu Christ,  
 thy mercies great extend.  
 Ah God beholde  
 my dolor and my smart,



Sweet Holy ghost,  
 my comforter thou art,  
 Take part with mee,  
 and heare my wofull cry,  
*Exaudi me,*  
*Miserere mei, Amen.*

A Meditation to bee deliuered  
*from sinne.*

O Lord my God,  
 I humbly beseech thee,  
 And Iesus Christ,  
 thine equall in Deitie:  
 With Holy ghost  
 of like power in maiesty,  
 And three in one,  
 and likewise one in three,  
 Which is to saie,  
 one blessed Trinitie:  
 Grant that the power  
 of thy diuinitie,  
 May in this life  
 alway deliuer mee,  
 From fornication  
 and adulterie,  
 From wicked sort  
 of vncleane companie,  
 From sudden death,  
 and cursed blasphemie,

From

From vaine glorie  
 and hypocrisie,  
 Frō malice, hatred,  
 and crueltie,  
 Frō the detestable  
 and great enormitie  
 Of sedition and  
 priuy conspiracie:  
 Frō al false doctrine  
 and heresie:  
 From pride in heart  
 and vanitie:  
 From pestilence, famine  
 and bloud thirstie:  
 From iust desert  
 of slander and infamy,  
 From filthie sinne,  
 and vile iniquitie.  
 And when as I  
 vpo thy name shall cry;  
 Heare my request,  
 and grant me thy mercie, Amen.

*A praier for the Queenes most*  
*excellent Maiesty.*

**O** King of heauen, of earth, of sea,  
 and all things else beside,

Vnder

*of Honisuckles,*

Vnder whose power, and in whose hands  
 the hearts of Kings abide,  
 Vouchsafe to guide our gracious Queen  
 Elizabeth aright,  
 That she in peace with health may raig  
 and gouerne through thy might;  
 And when thy godly wil shal be  
 to end her liuing daies,  
 Hir soule may then with angels thine,  
 sound forth thy endles praise, Amen.

*A thanke/ giuing before  
 meate.*

FOR food such as we find,  
 let vs giue thanks therefore,  
 And not forget the poore to feed,  
 with some part of our store:  
 Let all our talke be such,  
 whereby no grudge may gro,  
 Our selues wel easd, and God best pleasd  
 Christ grant it may be so.  
 God long preserue in peace and health,  
 Our gracious Queene Elizabeth: Amen

F I.

A



A thanksgiuing after  
*meate.*

**T**Hou God be praised for the food,  
we haue receiu'd from thee;  
And giue vs grace a life to lead,  
more thankfull for to be.  
God long preserue in peace and health,  
Our gracious Queene Elizabeth: Amen

FINIS.

**The poore Wi-  
dowes Mite:**

Gathered by *William  
Hunnis*, one of the Gentle-  
men of hir Highnesse chappell,  
and Maister to the chil-  
dren of the same.



*Who knocks with hope, and craves in faith,  
shall haue their iust request;  
By loue who seekes, she way shal find  
to port of quiet rest.*

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To the Queenes Maiesties  
Highnesse.

**E**xcept your Highnes well allow  
this gift of humble mind,  
**L**acke shall my hope the glad some frute,  
it sought thereby to find.  
**I**f gift with giuers loiall hart  
your Maiestie will trie,  
**Z**eale more than gift shall triumph then  
before your princelie cie.  
**A**A Persian prince, in gracious part,  
tooke water of the well,  
**B**ecause he saw the giuers zeale,  
the giuers gift excell:  
**E**uen to my zeale, renowned Queene,  
equiualent is with this,  
**T**h. Though I offense commit to giue  
so slender gift as this.  
**R**emembring yet your Princelie woont,  
of clemencie withall;  
**E**xample such hath boldned me,  
vpon my knee to fall.  
**G**reat gifts of gold, and gems of price,  
poore *Hunnis* would present,  
**I**f he them had, in stead whereof  
hee praies this may content.  
**N**ew yeere, and manie God you send,  
in health with peace to raigne,  
**A**nd after when your spirit departs,  
with Christ it may remaine.

*Your Highnes loiall subiect and  
most humble obedient seruant,*

W. H.  
F. 3.

The

## The Authour.

**W** Who seekes with works along to win  
his life that shall remaine,

**I** Is far deceau'd, for ift be so,  
then Christ hath dide in vaine.

**L** Let our good works our faith declare,  
by faith we are made free,

**I** It comes from God, that goodnes is,  
no good at all in me.

**A** As man him selfe vnable is,  
in thought to please the Lord,

**M** Much lesse to worke, or do the deed,  
that might his healeth accord.

**H** Here I professe one God to serue,  
from secret search of heara,

**V** Vnto his sacred word to cleane,  
and neuer to depart.

**N** No time my Prince, or Magistrate,  
by wilful to offend,

**N** No wish to please mine foe,  
than to my very friend.

**I** In Christ by faith, by no meane else,  
my righteousness doth lie.

**S** Such was his promise, such is my faith,  
and euer shall be so.

# The poore Widowes *Mite.*

## The 1. meditation.

**A**H helples wretch what shall I do?  
 or which way shall I runne?  
 The earth bewraies, and heauen records  
 the sins that I haue donne.  
 The gates of hell wide open stand,  
 for to receiue me in,  
 And fearefull feends alreadie be,  
 to torment me for sin.  
 (Alas) where shall I succor finde  
 the earth doth me denie,  
 And to the sacred heauens aboue,  
 I dare not lift mine eie.  
 If heauen and earth shall witnes be,  
 against my soule for sin,  
 Vntimely birth (alas) for me,  
 much better then had bin.  
 And now despaire approcheth fast,  
 with bloudie murdring knife,  
 And willeth me to end my griefes,  
 by shortening my life.  
 Shall I despaire? Thou God forbid,  
 for mercie more is thine,  
 Than if the sinnes of all the worlde  
 were linked now with mine.

Despise not then most louing Lord,  
 the image of thy face, (bought  
 Which thou hast wrought and deereleie  
 with goodnes of thy grace.  
 And sith the bloody price is paide,  
 and bitter paines all past;  
 Receiue my plaints, accept my spirit,  
 and mercy grant at last.

So shal my soule reioice, reioice,  
 and stil for mercie crie,

*Peccani, peccavi,  
 Misereere mei.*

### The 2. Meditation.

**T**Hou God that rulst & raignst in light  
 that flesh cannot attaine,  
 Thou God that knowste the thoughts of  
 are altogither vaine; (men  
 Thou God whom neither tounge of man  
 nor Angel can expresse:  
 Thou God it is that I do seeke,  
 thou pittie my distresse.  
 Thy seat, O God, is euery where,  
 thy power al powers transcend,  
 Thy wisdom cannot measured be,  
 for that it hath no end.  
 Thou art the power and wisdom too,  
 and sole felicity,

But



*Widowes Mite.*

But I a lump of sinfull flesh,  
 nurse of iniquitie.  
 Thou art by nature mercifull,  
 and mercy is thy name,  
 And I by nature miserable,  
 the thrall of sin and shame.  
 Then let thy nature, O good God  
 now worke his force in me,  
 And cleanse the nature of my sin,  
 and heale my miserie.  
 One depth, good Lord, another craues,  
 my depth of sinfull crime  
 Requires thy depth of mercie great,  
 for sauing health in time.  
 Sweet Christ grant y the depth of grace  
 may swallow vp my sinne,  
 That I thereby maie whiter be,  
 than euer snow hath bin.  
 So shall my soule reioice, reioice,  
 and itill for mercie crie,  
*Peccavi, peccavi,*  
*miserere mei.*

*The 3. meditation.*

**B**Efore thy face and in thy sight,  
 haue I, deuoid of shame,  
 O Lord, transgressed willingly,  
 I doo confesse the same.  
 Yet was I loth that men shoulde knowe,  
 or vnderstand my fall,

F s.

Thus

Thus feard I man, much more than thee  
 thou righteous iudge of all.  
 So blind was I and ignorant,  
 yea rather wilfull blind,  
 That suckt the combe, and knew the Bee  
 had left the sting behind.  
 My sins O God, to thee are knowne,  
 there is no secret place,  
 Where I may hide my selfe or them  
 from presence of thy face.  
 Where shall I then my selfe bestow  
 or who shall me defend?  
 None is so louing as my God;  
 thy mercies haue no end.  
 In deed I grant, and do confesse  
 my sinnes so heinous be,  
 As mercie none at all deserues:  
 but yet thy propertie  
 Is alwaies to be mercifull,  
 to sinners in distresse;  
 Whereby thou wilt declare and shew  
 thy great almightinesse.  
 Haue mercy Lord on me therefore,  
 for thy great mercies sake;  
 Which cam'st not righteous men to cal,  
 but sinners part to take.  
 Wherefore my soule bee glad, bee glad,  
 and still for mercie crie,

*Peccauit, peccauit,  
 miserere mei,*

*The*

## The 4. meditation.

**M**ost gracious God, do not behold  
 the number of my sin,  
 Ne yet consider with thy selfe  
 how wicked I haue bin:  
 But rather thinke I am but dust,  
 or as the withred hay,  
 Which flourisheth to daie in field,  
 to morrow shorne awaie.  
 My flesh rebels against the spirit,  
 my spirit too weake is found,  
 By sin conceiwd in mothers wombe,  
 my soule first caught hir wound.  
 My flesh is fraile, too weake and vaine,  
 to do the thing I should,  
 And what I would not, that do I,  
 contrarie that I would.  
 Thou seest, O Lord, how weake I am,  
 not able for to stand,  
 Without the succour, helpe and aid  
 of thy most mightie hand.  
 And what is he that will not staie  
 the man that's like to fall?  
 Or will refuse the sicke to helpe,  
 for helpe when he doth call?  
 If thou wilt laie vnto my charge,  
 the burden of my sinne,  
 O Lord, the conquest is but small,  
 that thou thereby shalt win.

For

*The poore*

For . why, thy glorie and thy praise,  
 in mercie doth consist,  
 Vnto the which I yeeld my selfe,  
 to do with what thou list.

My soule shall trust in thee, in thee,  
 and still for mercie crie,

*Peccani, peccani,  
 misereere mei.*

## The 5. meditation.

**I**F I demand what mercie is,  
 thou God wilt answere me,  
 That mercie is th'abundance great,  
 of thy diuine pitie.  
 Wherewith thou vewst th'afflicted sort,  
 that on the earth do lie,  
 And what is this compassion then,  
 but proofes of thy mercie?  
 Our fathers old the same haue felt,  
 and now in rest do raigne.  
 And thou art still the selte same God,  
 for euer to remaine.  
 Our fathers were conceiud in sin,  
 and so are we likewise;  
 Wilt thou compassion shew on them,  
 and children theirs despise?  
 One faith in Christ we all professe,  
 one God in persons three,  
 As thou compassion hadst on them,  
 compassion haue on me.

Ponder

*Widowes Mise.*

Ponder O God, my hearts desire,  
 most humblie do I craue,  
 And doo away al my misdeeds,  
 and so compassion haue.  
 And as of sinners manie a one,  
 whose number is vnknowne,  
 Thou didst vouchsafe to draw to thee,  
 and make them all thine owne.  
 So now vouchsafe most gentle God,  
 likewise to draw me in,  
 And make me righteous by thy grace,  
 forgiuing me my sin.  
 So shall my soule reioyce, reioyce,  
 and still for mercie crie,  
*Peccani, peccani,*  
*miserere mei.*

## The 6. meditation.

**M**ost mightie God, I do confesse,  
 ten thousand times and more,  
 Thou hast me washed from my sinne,  
 and salued stil my sore:  
 But I through sin am false againe,  
 and fowler now am made,  
 Than euer was the filthie swine  
 with mier overlade.  
 How oftentimes shall we forgiue,  
 ech other that offende;  
 Seuentie times seuen, the scripture saith,  
 which signifies no end.



If man to man such fauour shew,  
 that wretched caitiues be,  
 How much more thou, O gracious God,  
 to them that call on thee.  
 It is thy nature to forgive,  
 my nature can but fall,  
 Though thou be iust in all thy works,  
 thy mercie passeth all.  
 What time a sinner doth repent,  
 and turnes to thee at last,  
 All sins foredone thou wilt forget,  
 thy promise so hath past.  
 Behold O God, I turne to thee,  
 with sorrow for my sin,  
 And do repent euen from my hart,  
 that I so lewd haue bin.  
 Now wash me Lord yet once againe  
 with fountaine of thy grace,  
 That I among thy sacred saints,  
 with thee maie haue a place.  
 My soule shall trust in thee, in thee,  
 and still for mercie crie,  
*Peccani, peccani,  
 miserere mei.*

### The 7. meditation.

**L**ike as the guilty prisoner stands  
 before the iudge so tride,  
 With quaking breath, and shiuering lims  
 his iudgement to abide:

*Euen*

*Widowes Mite.*

Euen so, O God, before thy face  
 in fearefull state I stand,  
 And guiltie crie to thee my iudge,  
 and now hold vp my hand.  
 Nothing haue I to plead for life,  
 no goodnes is in me,  
 Of sin, deccit, and wickednes,  
 guiltie, good Lord, guiltie.  
 Thus by thy righteous doome, O God,  
 and sacred law diuine,  
 Condemnd am I to endles paine,  
 through iust deserts of mine.  
 (Alas) what then is to be said,  
 or what is to be doone:  
 For mercy yet will I appeale,  
 to Iesu Christ thy sonne,  
 For neuer yet hath it beene heard,  
 since first the world began,  
 That Iesu Christ did turne his face,  
 from anie sinfull man  
 Which vnto him for mercie came,  
 with sad repentant mind.  
 O Lord shall I then be the first  
 that shall no mercie find?  
 Shall I be he thou wilt despise,  
 that humbly comes to thee?  
 No no, sweet Christ thy promise is  
 for to deliuer me.  
 Wherefore my soule be glad, be glad  
 and crie incessantlie,

*Peccati*

*Peccani, peccani,  
miserere mei.*

**Verses vpon the Lordes  
Praier.**

*Our father which art in heauen.*

**A** Thing thou art frō which al thinges  
beginning tooke their name,  
And thou without beginning art,  
that gaue all things the same.  
We call thee God, some *Iehouah*,  
some *Tetragrammaton*:  
By all thy names thou art the thing,  
we all depend vpon.  
We be thy sonnes, thy children deare,  
and heires of kingdome thine,  
By which we do presume and say,  
Our father most diuine,  
Which art in heauen, deuoid of shape  
that reason can deuise,  
Ne yet art thou there to be felt,  
or seene of humane eies.

*Hallowed be thy name.*

**T**Hy Name O God, is woonderfull,  
though we the same abuse,

*And*

*Widowes Mite.*

And by thy name such things are done,  
as make the mind to muse.

The heauens aboue, the earth below,  
and waters vnder them,

Thy name hath wrought miraculouſlie,  
all for the vse of men.

O maruellous God what is thy name?  
or what ſhal I thee call;

Thou art in power omnipotent,  
the mightieſt power of all.

Then mighty power of powers that is,  
vouchſafe the ſame in me;

So worke thy will that in my life  
thy name may hallowed be.

*Thy kingdome come.*

**T**Hy kingdome euerlaſting is,  
in truth and equitie,

In fauor, loue, and righteousneſſe,  
to all in miſeric.

Bow down the heauens, O mighty king,  
whereby thy grace may fall,

That this thy kingdome might deſcend  
into the hearts of all.

So ſhall our finnes be driuen away,  
our fleſh made tame alſo,

And we found righteous in thy ſight,  
a perfect life to ſho.

Vouchſafe to grant, O heauenly King,  
this bleſſed worke may bee,

**Thy**

Thy kingdome still to dwell in vs,  
and we to dwell in thee.

*Thy will be doone in earth, as it  
is in heauen*

**T**Hy wil is good, our will is nought,  
thy will be therefore doone,  
Such was thy will, that Iesus Christ,  
thy deere and onely sonne,  
Should reach thy will to sinfull flesh,  
our wicked luits to kill;  
And he thy will vpon the crosse,  
the same did there fulfill.  
O heauenlie father let thy wil  
in earth fulfilled be,  
Among vs men as with thy saints,  
in heauenly hierarchie.  
And grant thy will so worke in vs,  
that we thy will confesse,  
In word, in life, in faith, in loue,  
and perfect holinesse.

*Giue vs this day our dailie  
bread.*

**T**Hy word, thy truth, & Christ thy son,  
is bread that we should haue;  
Vouchsafe our soules may feed thereon,  
most humblie we do craue.  
For man doth not by bread alone  
passe forth his vitall daies,



But by each word thy mouth proceedes,  
vnto thy endles praise.

Fix in our harts thy sweet sons death,  
and such impression make,

As we thereby may cheerefull be,  
to suffer for his sake.

Such crosse as please thee to laie  
vpon our backs to beare;

With shield of faith to bide the brunt,  
against all worldlie feare.

*And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive  
them that trespass against us.*

**W**E know, forgiveness is at hand,  
when we for mercie call:

If we ech other do forgive,  
thou wilt forgive vs all.

Such promise hast thou made, O God,  
from which thou wilt not swerue,

And yet it lies not in our power,  
the same for to deserue,

So weake is man, so feeble too,  
not able once to mind

The thought that's good, or do the deed,  
that might thy mercie find.

This will thy grace must worke in vs,  
our brethren to forgive,

Which

## The Poore

Which grant, O God, that we therewith,  
in rest with thee may liue,

*And lead vs not into temptation.*

**A**Nd though temptation needful be  
thy seruants strength to trie,  
And that our finnes and wickednes,  
by faith away do flie :

Yet Lord thy grace the same doth worke  
whereby we stiffe stand  
Against the world, the flesh the diuell,  
winning the vpper hand.

Thus of our felices, alas, too weake,  
temptations ay too strong,  
Thy grace it is must vs defend,  
else are we throne along.

Grāt when by sin through want of grace  
great falles we do sustaine,  
That then thy grace might visit vs,  
and reare vs vp againe.

*But deliuer vs from euil.*

**F**ROM ill that we by sin deserue,  
most mighty God defend,  
And rid vs free from filthy fall,  
of miserable end,  
Withold thy seuer punishment,  
and let thine eie of grace,  
Take view vpon th' afflicted sort,  
and helpe our wretched ease.

From

*Widowes Mite.*

From surging seas of worldly waues,  
 wherewith we be opprest,  
 Discharge and set our soules on shore,  
 in port of quiet rest.

So shal we then our praiers make,  
 with conscience safe and sound,  
 And by thy grace shall able bee,  
 our enemy to confound, Amen.

*The Christian faith.*

**O**NE God in persons three,  
 and three in Godhead one,  
 I doo beleeeue my sauing health  
 doth rest in him alone.

The first, the Father high,  
 creator of vs all,

The second is his only Sonne,  
 the word whom scripture call:

The third the Holy-ghost,  
 of both who doth remaine,  
 In might, power, and Deitie,  
 coequall with the twaine.

The word of loue to vs,  
 flesh void of sinne became,  
 Of virgins wombe by power diuine,  
 most pure he tooke the same.

And then for sinfull flesh,  
 his flesh was sacrificde,  
 By bitter, sharpe, and shameful death,  
 as cruel Iewes deuise,

By bitter, sharpe, and shamefull death,  
 as cruel Iewes deuise'd,  
 His flesh with whips was rent,  
 his head becrown'd with thorne,  
 His bodie nail'd on crosse of tree,  
 his heart with speare was torne.  
 Thus all his bloud was shed,  
 to death his life made thrall,  
 To pacifie his fathers wrath,  
 procur'd by Adams fall.  
 He died and was buried,  
 descended downe to hell,  
 From death to life he rose againe,  
 he loued vs so well.  
 When fortie daies were come,  
 to heauen ascended he,  
 In sight from men of Galile,  
 in faith to vs that be.  
 From whence I do belecue,  
 he shall againe descend,  
 To iudge all flesh, and of the world  
 to make a finall end.  
 The dead from graue shall rise,  
 the quicke shall changed be,  
 And euery eie shall face to face  
 behold his maiestie.  
 By grace who hath doone well,  
 with him in heauen shall raigne,  
 By sinne who hath 'doone wickedlie,  
 in euerlasting paine,

*FINIS.*

COMFORTABLE  
Dialogs between CHRIST  
and a SINNER, tou-  
ching the Soules  
health.

A Conflict betweene the  
*spirit and the flesh*, in the  
soule of man.

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mercie in miserie.*

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follicies and vanities of  
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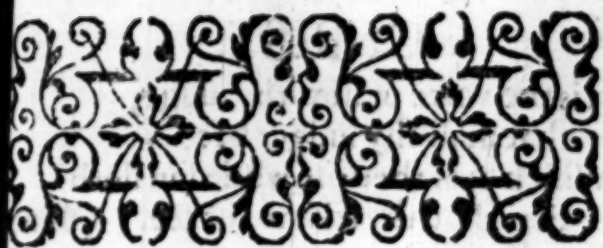
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A Dialog betweene  
Christ and a  
Sinner.

CHRIST.

**A** Rise from sin thou wicked man,  
before the trump dooth sound:  
Least thou among the guiltie sort,  
a damned soule be found.

My sheepe why doost thou persecute?  
my lambs why doost thou kill?  
My selfe why doost thou crucifie,  
and guiltles bloud thus spill?  
Arise I saie, arise, arise.

SINNER.

What fearefull thundring voice is this,  
that soundeth in mine eare:  
Which bids me rise, & brings my soule,  
and all hir powers in feare?

G I.

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*A Dialog betweene***CHRIST.**

It is the voice of him thy iudge,  
 that shall thy iudger bee:  
 Which bids thee rise while sun doth  
 that thou thy selfe maist see. (thine  
 For after sun be set in shade,  
 and darksome clouds appeere:  
 Too late is then for to arise,  
 if thou arise not heere.  
 Arise I saie, arise, arise.

**SINNER.**

O Lord by grace I now behold,  
 wherein I did offend.

**CHRIST.**

What made thee thus against my saints  
 such crueltie extend?

**SINNER.**

It was my fault through ignorance,  
 by which I might not chuse.

**CHRIST.**

And yet I saie thine ignorance,  
 shall not thy faults excuse.

**SINNER.**

By grace I am repentant made,  
 wilt thou not mercie haue?

**CHRIST.**

*Christ and a sinner.*

CHRIST.

If thou by grace repentant bee,  
yet must thou mercy craue.

SINNER.

O Lord blot out my filthie deeds,  
and cleanse me from my sinne.

CHRIST.

Arise and walke, thou art made cleane,  
as thou belecu'st therein.



*Another dialog betweene*

*Christ and a sinner,*

*to be soong as the  
former.*

CHRIST.

**A** Wake from sleep and watch awhile,  
prepare your selfe to praie,  
For I mine Angell will send forth  
to sound the iudgement day:  
That mine elect and chosen sort  
might find my saying true:  
How that the time I shorten will,  
for them and not for you.  
Awake I saie, awake, awake.

G 2.

SINNER

*A Dialog betweene***SINNER.**

And yet, O Lord, the little whelps  
 would licke the crums that fall:  
 The chosen sort are very few,  
 but many doost thou call.

**CHRIST.**

I call to you that will not heare,  
 I stretch mine arms at large,  
 For to embrace such as doo come,  
 and all your finnes discharge.  
 Wherefore if you refuse to come,  
 I will you then forsake;  
 And to my feast will strangers call,  
 and them my children make:  
 Awake therefore and rise from sleepe,  
 awake, I say, awake.

**SINNER.**

Not so, good Lord, thy mercy far  
 about our finnes abound,

**CHRIST.**

And yet I will a iusticer  
 in iustice mine be found.

**SINNER.**

Thy promise is to pardon sinne,  
 and therein art thou iust.

**CHRIST**



*Christ and a sinner.***CHRIST.**

Your sinnes repent, and praie therefore,  
in vaine is else your trust.

**SINNER.**

O Lord thy grace must this performe,  
or else it cannot be.

**CHRIST.**

My grace you haue, the same applie,  
and blessed shall you be.

**SINNER.**

Through this sweet grace, thy mercie  
we humbly do require. (Lord

**CHRIST.**

By mercy mine I you forgiue,  
and grant this your desire.

**AMEN.**

A Conflict betweene the  
*Spirit and the Flesh in the*  
Soule of man.

**SPIRIT.**

**M**Y soule giue eare to me thy spirit,  
of that I saie to thee;

**G 3.****For sake**

For sake the pleasures of thy flesh,  
 and ioine thy selfe with me:  
 Thy flesh is filthy, fraile, and fond;  
 and nought but sin containes;  
 Whose due deserts through wickednes  
 is cuerlasting paines.

## FLESH.

My soule not so great prooffe thou hast  
 of pleasures that I bring;  
 Of loue, of lust, of liking sweet,  
 and euery other thing:  
 For sake me not but ioine with me,  
 which am thy flesh and bone,  
 For I the recepracle am  
 of all thy powers each one.

## SPIRIT.

If thou after thy flesh wilt go,  
 then surelie shalt thou die;  
 If thou wilt walke with me thy spirit,  
 we will him mortifie:  
 For thou betweene vs both art plast,  
 and at thy libertie,  
 To whether part thou wilt incline,  
 to liue or else to die.

## SOVLE.

(Alas) what great conflict is this,  
 I fillie soule sustaine;

Betweene

*the soule of man.*

Betweene the pleasures of my flesh,  
my spirit threatning paine:  
I greued am my flesh should lose,  
yet glad my spirit might win,  
But of the twaine whole part to take,  
my doubt is great therein.

## SPIRIT.

Thy flesh is disobedient,  
vnkind and cruell still.

## SOVLE.

Yet I poore soule indifferent  
make neither good nor ill.

## FLESH.

Remember my sweet soule,  
what flesh hath doone for thee.

## SPIRIT.

Thy flesh for to subdue,  
sweet soule take part with me.

## FLESH.

If thou my part wilt take,  
we shall the victors be.

## SPIRIT.

If thou wilt him forsake,  
then heauen is due to thee.

**SOVLE.**

The spirit makes men religious,  
obedient and kind:

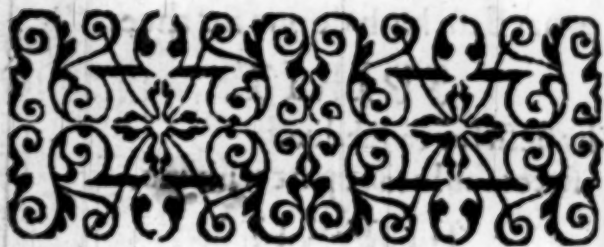
The flesh makes men rebellious,  
and monstrous beastly blind;

The soule through power makes them  
as maker hath assind. (men

Wherefore my spirit I ioine with thee,  
with all the force I can:

Awaie packe hence vnsauory flesh,  
the filthest part of man.

**FINIS**





## An humble sute of a repentant sinner for mercie.

**G**ive eare, O Lord, to heare  
 my heauy careful cries:  
 And let my woful plaints ascend,  
 aboue the starrie skies.  
 And now receiue the soule,  
 that puts his trust in thee:  
 And mercy grant to purge my sinnes,  
 mercy, good Lord, mercy.  
 My soule desires to drinke,  
 from fountaine of thy grace:  
 To slake this thirst O God, vouchsafe,  
 and turne not off thy face.  
 But bow thy bending eare,  
 with mercie when I crie,  
 And pardon grant for sinful life,  
 mercy, good Lord, mercie.  
 Behold at length, O Lord,  
 my sore repentant mind, (by  
 Which knocks with faith, & hopes there  
 thy mercy great to find.  
 Thy promise thus hath past  
 from which I will not flie,  
 Who doth repent trusting in thee,  
 shal tast of thy mercy.  
 Mercy, good Lord, mercy, mercy.



¶ Another to the same  
effect.

**B**Ehold, O God, the wretched state,  
my lillie soule is in;  
How sore opprest and ouercharge,  
with foule and filthie sin.  
Behold likewise the prison foule,  
I meane my banded breast.  
Where wickednes and sin abounds,  
and breeds my soules vnrest.  
Behold O God, how oft my soule,  
doth list her selfe to thee,  
As one in dungeon darke and deepe,  
desiring light to see.  
Behold also how faine it would,  
do that might please thy will:  
But cruell sin with his affects,  
do draw me backward still.  
Behold I do not that I would,  
as lawe of thine requires,  
But I doo that I would not doo,  
contrarie my desires.  
Such is the working of the seed  
such be his wilie waies,  
With lust to set my hart on fire,  
whereby my health decaies.  
Such pleasant baits laies he abroad,  
with poisoned hookes of sin,  
And traines my senses all thereto,

and

**EVERY**  
An addition to the  
*treatise aforegoing,*  
annexed by the au-  
thour thereof:

Discoursing of things  
*which must come to*  
passe before the  
*day of iudgement.*



*Of things must passe*  
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*Let vs therefore*  
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*Of things must passe  
before the iudgements day:  
Let vs therefore  
repent, watch, fast, and pray.*

1 **A** Great bright throne was seene,  
and in the same late one,  
Before whose face both heauen & earth,  
did tremble, shake and grone.

2 And al both great and small,  
whom death had kild before,  
Were likewise seene before his face  
that liues for euermore.

3 The bookes then opened were,  
of euery one was dead,  
Who iudgement had as they deserud,  
as in those bookes were red.

4 The bookes which at that day  
shal opened be to all,  
Shall haue our actions in this life  
thereby to stand or fall.

5 In this day shall the iust  
stand constant to endure,  
Against those, that afflicted them  
in this our life vsure.

*Sap. 5.  
Luk. 23.*

6 The wicked seeing this,  
shal be surpris'd with feare,  
And call vnto the mountaines high,  
to fall vpon them there.

*Apoc. 6.*

7 To hide them from his face,  
that sits in iudgement seat:  
And from the indignation  
that this sweet lambe doth threat.

8 O Lord how great a daie  
shall this be vnto vs?  
Who can conceiue thy power of wrath,  
the same for to discusse?

9 Or who for verie feare  
shall able be to saie  
The greatnes of displeasure thine  
which happen shall that day?

*Prouer. 6.*

10 This day is daie of thine,  
whereof thy seruant said  
Thy zeale and fury should none spare,  
reuengement should be paid.

11 This is that dreadfull daie,  
most dreadfull to behold:

According



According to thy Prophets words  
as they before haue told.

12 Behold the daie shall come,  
a daie of crueltie:

*Esay. 13.*

A day of indignation,  
of wrath and of fury.

13 Which day shall bring the earth  
into a wildernes:

And crush in peeces wicked sort,  
for their euill trespasses.

14 Behold the day doth come,  
the daie of God almight:

*Isa. 2.*

A daie of darknes, stormes, and cloudes,  
most terrible to sight.

15 A day as neuer was,  
nor neuer such shall bee:

After this dreadful stormie day,  
in all eternitie.

16 Good Lord what marueilous daie  
shall this be to behold,

When we shall see the children all,  
of Adam young and old?

17 Gathered together,  
from parts of all the earth;

Before this fearefull iudge to stand,  
with faine and shiuering breath.

18 when

Apoc. 20

18 When as the sea and land,  
shal yeeld that they long kept:  
That is to say, their bodies dead,  
which long in them haue slept:

19 Both heauen and hell also,  
the soules shall now restore,  
which they possesse to be vnite  
to bodies euermore.

20 What manner day is this,  
when as the heauens shal morne:  
When all the earth shal shake & quake,  
and mountaines be rent and torne?

21 When sunne shal loose his light,  
the moone her light also,  
The stars fal down, the seas and fluds,  
forsake to ebbe and flow?

22 When all the elements  
shal quite dissolued be,  
The earth with bloud clean ouerflowne,  
which euery eie shall see.

23 And all the world beside,  
shal be on flaming fire,  
So that the iust and angels pure,  
shal feare this day of ire?

24 Then shal appeare in skie,  
the signe of sonne of man,

And

And all the tribes vpon the earth,  
shal his comming than.

25 In the clouds of heauen,  
amid his angels all,  
With power and might and glory great,  
he shal his angels call.

26 Yea in a moment small,  
or twinkling of an eie,  
Shal send them forth with trūpets sound  
and with a mighty cry.

*Mat. 25  
Luke. 21*

27 At midnight shal they passe,  
to chuse his chosen sort, (world,  
From heauen to earth throughout the  
vnto their great comfort.

28 Now he which as a lamb,  
vpon the crosse was slaine,  
Shal as a Lyon come to iudge,  
both vnto ioy and paine.

*Apoc. 5. 6  
13.*

29 Behold our Lord shal come,  
but who shal able be  
For to aide his comming day,  
most feareful then to see?

30 For at that very day  
the mighty mountaines great,  
Shal waste and melt before his face,  
through force of fiers heat.

31 Behold

Esay 28.

31 Behold our Lord shall come,  
in fortitude and strength:  
And as a storme of haile and wind,  
shall ouerthrow at length.

32 What euer thing that stands  
in passage of his waie,  
And as a rage of waters great,  
shall make no stop nor stay.

33 Before whose blessed face,  
shall burning fire runne,  
And vpon euery side of him,  
a mightie tempest come.

34 This day vnto the iust,  
a ioyfull daie shall be:  
But to the wicked reprobate,  
eternall miserie.

35 O heavenly King vouchsafe  
for Christes sake thy Sonne,  
We may be mindfull of this daie,  
with feare for that is donne.

36 And giue vs grace henceforth,  
our liues so to amend:  
As we among the chosen sort,  
may praile thee without end.

**FINIS.**

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